

2021/22 Alumni Fee Remission Procedure

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Summary

This document outlines eligibility criteria for Edge Hill graduates, former ERASMUS+ and Study Abroad students who may benefit from a reduction in tuition fee when enrolling onto an eligible course in the academic year 2021/22.

Glossary of Terms

Bursary

a financial award made to students to support their studies; sometimes used interchangeably with 'scholarship'. For some professional programmes a bursary may be provided from external funding;

ERASMUS+

a former programme for EU students (prior to December 2020) who studied at Edge Hill University for one or two semesters;

Postgraduate Doctoral Loan Scheme

students starting a postgraduate Doctoral course could be eligible for a loan from the UK Government to help with course fees and living costs;

Postgraduate Master's Loan Scheme

students starting a master's course could be eligible for a loan from the UK Government to help with course fees and living costs;

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)

formal acknowledgement of recent and relevant credit received from other courses or study (including non EHU provision) to offer exemption from curriculum modules;

Repeat Year++

permission to undertake a full year or level of study as if for the first time, despite having previously undertaken part or all of that year;

Sponsor

an employer or other organisation that agrees to pay all or part of a student's tuition fee;

Study Abroad (students)

students who come to study at Edge Hill from a University outside the UK as part of their degree course. Study Abroad students can choose to study for a semester or for a whole academic year at Edge Hill;

Purpose

To set out the criteria for Edge Hill graduates, former ERASMUS+ and Study Abroad students who may benefit from tuition fee remission. The procedure will also inform students about specific courses that are excluded from the fee remission offer.

Procedure

If you are an Edge Hill graduate, former ERASMUS+ or Study Abroad student you could benefit from a reduction in tuition fee when enrolling onto an eligible full-time or part-time postgraduate programme at the University for the first time during 2021/22.

The offer is intended to be as inclusive as possible and is open to all students who graduated within the last three years. This means that for academic year 2021/22 entry, students must have been in their final year of study in academic year 2018/19 onwards:

Edge Hill University graduates

- with UK resident status. Exemptions to the UK residency criteria may apply for EU students who have settled or pre-settled status under the EU Settlement Scheme, or who are Irish nationals.
- holding an undergraduate award at Level five for example; Foundation Degree or at Level six for example; BA, BSc or LLB, Professional Graduate Certificate in Education*, or a Graduate Diploma**.

Former ERASMUS+ students

- with EU resident status.

Study Abroad students

- who have studied at least one semester with Edge Hill University at undergraduate level.

All students must

- have responsibility for payment of their own tuition fee (ie no sponsorship or external bursary offering full or part contribution). (Receipt of a postgraduate loan via the Postgraduate Master's/Doctoral Loan Scheme will still entitle you to this benefit);
- be enrolled onto an Edge Hill University Postgraduate Certificate, Diploma, taught or research Masters programme*** or a Doctoral programme either full or part-time, commencing in the academic year 2021/22;
- be studying a minimum of 60 credits each academic year (with the exception of PGCert SpLD Dyslexia due to the course running over an 18-month period) and have all curriculum modules confirmed at the start of the academic year;
- have no outstanding debt with the University.

Edge Hill graduates may benefit from the following offer:

50% tuition fee discount for 2020/21 finalists
20% tuition fee discount for 2018/19 and 2019/20 finalists, with 50% discount for MRes study

The fee reduction applies for the full duration of the programme, excluding any repeat years.

Students will only be entitled to this remission for registration on one postgraduate programme, with the exception of students progressing to PhD study within three academic years of completing postgraduate taught or research awards; such

students will be awarded fee remission at 50% for 2020/21 postgraduate finalists and 20% for 2018/19 and 2019/20 postgraduate finalists.

Students previously awarded remission and who failed to complete or pass their programme will not be permitted the benefit again.

Students who have had their tuition fee modified following award of Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) will not be eligible to receive this remission. Students will also not qualify for the remission for future registrations on the same programme.

If a sponsorship agreement is sought for payment of fees or an external bursary is awarded at any point during the programme the benefit will cease, and the full fee becomes payable for that academic session onwards.

Edge Hill University staff, in addition to postgraduate students returning for the second or subsequent year of a course which has already started, are excluded. Students will be invited to confirm their eligibility at enrolment.

For further information contact the Fees, Scholarships and Bursaries Team in Academic Registry: TuitionFees@edgehill.ac.uk. Please note the fee reduction procedure is reviewed on an annual basis but the above principles apply for the whole of the normal duration of the programme of study.

* Excludes Level 7 Postgraduate Certificate in Education

** Excludes Exit Awards

*** Excludes PGCE, PGDE, Integrated Masters, MSc Midwifery, MSc Nursing, MSc Advanced Fertility Practice, MSc Clinical Reproductive Medicine, PGDip Nursing, PG Cert Medical Leadership and MCh/MMed programmes.

Key to Relevant Documents

This procedure does not refer to other documents.

Annexes

This procedure does not contain any additional information.

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