



FACTS ABOUT FEES 2023-24

Our fees for the Academic Year beginning in September 2023 are as follows:

TABLE OF FEES

	PROGRAMME	NOTES	TOTAL FEES PAYABLE
BA	Certificate of Higher Education	This is a TWO year programme and is also the first TWO years of the BA (level 4). If a Student opts to leave after two years, the exit award is a Certificate of Higher Education.	£4,250 per annum
	Diploma of Higher Education	This is a further TWO years of study on the BA (level 5). If a Student opts to leave after 4 years, the exit award is a Diploma of Higher Education.	£4,250 per annum
	BA(Hons)	This is the final TWO years of a SIX year programme leading to a BA in Kingdom Theology.	£4,250 per annum
	Graduate Diploma	A TWO year programme leading to a Graduate Diploma in Kingdom Theology. If a student opts to withdraw after ONE year they will receive a Graduate Certificate. Students can choose to specialise in the second year: Kingdom Theology, Church Planting & Leadership, or Student Ministry tracks.	£4,250 per annum
	MA	A TWO-THREE* year taught programme and a dissertation leading to an MA in Kingdom Theology.	£4,000 per annum plus a fee to complete the Dissertation**

* Most students write their dissertation after having studied the taught element, taking longer than two years to complete the degree. Some students also spread the taught element of the MA over THREE years rather than TWO. The cost of this is **2 years fees + the accommodation costs for additional Residentials attended**. As for the two year MA, you pay a dissertation fee on submission of the dissertation proposal.

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What do the fees cover?

The fees cover all tuition costs, programme materials and full board at the two Residentials per year. All University validation fees, access to your Hub library and online journals are also included. Fees also include a folder of lecture notes for first year students (i.e. brand new students) at the *first Residential only*. Folders for subsequent Residentials need to be printed by students.

For **MA students** the cost of the dissertation is payable when you submit your dissertation proposal. The fee will be determined in the year in which this occurs. For reference, the 2023/24 rate is £750 (2022/23: £750).

For Graduate Diploma in Church Planting and Leadership (CPL), and Student Ministry (SM) tracks, the programme fees cover the cost of the mini-Residentials for your programmes including accommodation, but not the travel to and from the mini-Resis.

How are the fees charged?

An acceptance fee of £400 is required to confirm a place on a WTC programme. This is payable once you have been offered a place on the programme for which you have applied; your place will not be confirmed until the deposit is received. The deposit is non-refundable but will be offset against the balance of your fees.

Payment options for the remainder of your fees are as follows:

- Pay monthly in 10 instalments (which incurs a £100 administration fee per year) commencing by 31 August **at the latest**, with the final instalment due by 31 May **at the latest**.
- Pay termly in three instalments (which incurs a £75 administration fee per year) due by 31 August, 31 December and 31 March.
- Pay in full by 31 August and incur no administration fee.

The payment terms (In Full, Termly, Monthly) are agreed with the student during the application process. Should you wish to change payment terms once the programme has started, this can be done by submitting a Payment Terms Change Request through the MyWTC portal. Depending on how far into the academic year this payment term request is received, it may not be possible to change payment terms, or an additional fee may apply.

Any fees that are more than 60 days overdue will result in suspension from the programme. If fees are not paid in full by 1 June each year, no academic award will be made until payment is received in full.

How much will fees go up?

If you are on a two-year programme, we will endeavour to hold the second year price at which you enrolled in year one.¹ However, in exceptional circumstances we reserve the right to increase prices to cover our costs. For the BA, students should expect prices to increase in years three and five, although, as above, in exceptional circumstances we reserve the right to increase prices to cover our costs at other times.

Extended MA Fee Increase

For students studying the MA on a modular basis (i.e. over 3 or more years rather than the standard 2 years), the programme fee will be held for the first 2 years, but beyond this the fee for each year will be the current fee for that year.

Is there anywhere I can apply for a bursary?

WTC has two small bursary funds – the Principal's Bursary Fund which is for those with a history of offending or addiction, and a means tested General Bursary Fund. Please click [here](#) for more details about each fund and the criteria for applications. We are also eligible to select two students each year to apply for a grant sponsored by the Evangelical Alliance and funded by the Jerusalem Trust. This scheme is particularly geared towards those in their final year of study, intending to work in full-time pastoral ministry and who have special financial needs. Please read the application criteria carefully. If you think you are eligible to apply for any of these funds, please contact us and we will forward the relevant forms for completion.

WTC bursary applications will be considered on or around 30th April, 31st May, 30th June and 31st July. This means that you will not necessarily hear from us about your application until shortly after the next of those dates.

There are currently no WTC bursaries for the MA.

¹ MA students starting in January, please contact Sarah Burdett (assistant.registrar@wtctheology.org.uk) for details of fees.



Can I apply for a student loan?

WTC students cannot access government loans through the Student Loan Company.

However, WTC has partnered with Kingdom Bank, a private, Christian bank to provide student loans. Kingdom Bank along with WTC will assess your application and only eligible applications would be approved. The assessment would also include carrying out a credit search to assess credit worthiness. Visit <https://wtctheology.org.uk/student-loans/> for more information.

I really want to do the programme but I am not sure I can afford it. What do you suggest?

There are many creative ways that students find to pay their programme fees. Here are just a few ideas:

- Ask your friends and family for support.
- Our friends **Stewardship** may be able to help you to raise your financial support. The Partner Account for Individuals will help you manage your financial support for living costs and personal ministry expenses in one place: <https://www.stewardship.org.uk/partner-account-individuals>
- If you are in employment, ask your employer if they would be willing to cover a proportion of your programme fees. Many employers are committed to Continuing Professional Development and are happy to help.
- There are hundreds of charitable trusts and organisations in the UK distributing funds to charities and individuals. We have put together [this list of organisations](#) who may give grants to individuals.
- If you are involved in any form of church service, ask your church if they would be willing to help. (They may not be able to support you financially, but may be able to give you an opportunity to talk about your desire to study. We find that this often opens up other avenues of support.)
- Some churches pay a contribution to the cost incurred by members undergoing relevant training, even where they are not currently involved in church service.
- Think of creative ways to raise the money through doing something for sponsorship, i.e. run a marathon or host a sponsored event.
- Apply for a WTC Bursary if you meet the criteria.
- Create a public profile with Stewardship (you can see an example of a WTC student profile at **Bible Education at WTC Theology - Jake James**)
- Crowd-fund to help pay for fees.
- And last but by no means least, PRAY. If God wants you to study, he will make a way. Ask him to show you how.

What if my circumstances change during the year and I am struggling to pay my fees?

Please talk to us! We are keen to work out a way in which you can carry on with your studies by setting up a payment plan which is realistic which would enable you to do this.

What happens if I start the programme and then want to leave?

If you withdraw from your programme before completing a full year, you will be required to pay the full term's fees for the term in which notice is given plus a **£100 administration fee**. Please see the table below for further details.

To avoid the following term's fees becoming due, notice should be given no later than the date by which fees for the following term are payable. If you decide to withdraw after having paid the full year's fees, an appropriate reimbursement will be made by WTC after deducting the amount due from you.

What happens if I want to apply for an interruption of studies (IoS) or to defer my studies?

It is possible to take a study break mid-way through your programme. There is a **£100 administration charge** for this. If you have paid for a whole year and then take a break mid-way through, the fees for that term must be paid in full, but an amount will be refunded for subsequent terms. (See the table below).

Should you wish to retain access to the library during an interruption of study, there is an option to pay a higher administration fee of **£250**.

If you return to your studies the following academic year, you will pay the fee level you would have paid if you had not taken an IoS. If you re-commence your studies later than the following academic year, you will pay the current fee level on your return.



Applications for Disabled Students Allowance (DSA)

WTC students are not eligible for student loans, and are therefore not eligible for DSA.

Withdrawal or Interruption of Studies Costs:

Amount owing at point of withdrawal or interruption	BA	Graduate Diploma	MA
Before attendance at the first Residential and before enrolment with Newman University	£400	£400	£400
Post attendance at Residential 1 *	£1,770	£1,770	£1,680
Any point between Residential 1 and the end of term 1 **	£2,400	£2,400	£2,260
Any point between the end of Term 1 and end of Term 2 **	£3,530	£3,530	£3,340
Any point between the end of Term 2 and end of Term 3 **	£4,350	£4,350	£4,100

*University Accreditation Fees, plus 50% of termly tuition, plus £100 admin fee.

**Terms finish prior to the Christmas, Easter and Summer breaks.

Are there other costs that I should consider?

You should consider the costs of getting to your Hub approximately twenty times per year.

The costs of travel to and from the Residentials are not included in fees. The Residential venue for the academic year 2023-24 will be the University of Nottingham.

If you are travelling from a distance and would like to arrive the night before the Residentials begin, or would like to stay an extra night at the end, you are usually able to arrange extra nights' accommodation in the same venue. The cost of this should not be more than £90 per night.

Which currency can I pay in?

We can only accept payment in sterling. We recommend using TransferWise for payments in any other currency (transferwise.com).