

FACTS ABOUT FEES 2024-25

Our fees for the Academic Year beginning in September 2024 are as follows:

TABLE OF FEES

	PROGRAMME	NOTES	TOTAL FEES PAYABLE
	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.	£4,400 per annum
ВА	Diploma of Higher Education	This is 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.	£4,400 per annum
	BA(Hons)	This is the final TWO years of a SIX year programme leading to a BA in Kingdom Theology.	£4,400 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 between continuing on the GradDip in Kingdom Theology, or moving to the Church Planting and Leadership Track.	£4,400 per annum
MA	Option 1	A TWO* year taught programme and a dissertation leading to an MA in Kingdom Theology. If a student opts not to complete the dissertation, they will receive a Post Graduate Diploma.	£4,150 per annum plus a fee to complete the Disser- tation**
	Option 2	A THREE* year taught programme and a dissertation leading to an MA in Kingdom Theology. If a student opts not to complete the dissertation, they will receive a Post Graduate Diploma.	£2,950 per annum plus a fee to complete the Disser- tation**

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* 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 Extended MA is 2 years fees + the accommodation costs for additional Residentials attended.

**The dissertation fee for both MAs is payable at the start of the academic year when the student registers for the dissertation module. The fee will be determined in the year in which this occurs. For reference, the 2024-25 rate is £850.

How much will fees go up?

If you are on a two-year programme, WTC will hold the second year fees at the level at which you enrolled in year one. This means that, for the BA, students should expect prices to increase in years three and five. This increase will not exceed 10% of the previous fees at each increase. Students on the Extended MA should expect the fees in year three of the taught element to increase. As for the BA, the fees will not increase by more than 10% of the previous fee level.

Extended MA Fees Breakdown, p.a.				
Study Structure	Credits	Total Fees Payable		
YEAR 1: 2 Modules, 2 Residentials	40 credits	£2,950		
YEAR 2: 2 Modules, 2 Residentials	40 credits	£2,950		
YEAR 3:	40 credits	£2,950 + not more		

Individual MA Module Fees

2 Modules, 2 Residentials

For students studying <u>individual MA modules</u>, the fees depend on the number of modules being taken and whether these are taught over one or two Residentials. For those completing their modules in 2024-5, the fees are below. If you choose to study the module over more than one year, the fees will increase annually in line with MA fee levels for that year (and not by more than 10%).

Individual MA Module Fees, p.a.				
Study Structure	Credits	Total Fees Payable		
1 Module, 1 Residential	10 credits	£900		
1 Module, 1 Residential	20 credits	£1,500		
1 Module, 2 Residentials	20 credits	£1,750		
2 Modules, 1 Residential	30 credits	£2,100		
2 Modules, 2 Residentials	40 credits	£2,950		

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



What do the fees cover?

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

The fees do not cover the cost of travel to and from Hub nights or travel to and from the Residentials. If students choose to spend an additional night at Nottingham University before or after the Residentials, this is at the student's own expense.

For MA students the cost of the dissertation is payable at the start of the academic year in which you register for the dissertation module. This could be immediately after students complete their taught element, or at a later point within the permitted time frame to complete the MA. The fee will therefore be determined in the year in which you register. For reference, the 2024/25 rate is £850.

For the Graduate Diploma Church Planting and Leadership track, the programme fees cover the cost of the Mini-Residentials in your second year, including meals and accommodation during the Mini-Resi, but not the travel to and from the Mini-Resis or the cost of any additional nights spent enroute or at the venue.

How are the fees charged?

An acceptance fee/deposit 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.

Students have the right to cancel and receive a full refund of tuition fees within a 14 day period from enrolment at WTC, which takes place on day 1 of your first Residential. You will still incur the costs of the accommodation and catering fees at the Residential, hence the £400 deposit being non-refundable.

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

- Pay monthly in 10 instalments (which incurs a £100 administration fee per academic year) with the first payment due by 31 August before the start of the academic year, and with the final instalment due by 31 May at the end of the academic year.
- Pay termly in three instalments (which incurs a £75 administration fee per academic year) due by 31 August before the start of the academic year, and 31 December and 31 March of the academic year in question.
- Pay in full by 31 August before the start of the academic year, and incur no administration fee.

NB: If you are studying on the Extended MA and would like to pay in instalments, please contact us (**finance@ wtctheology.org.uk**) to discuss an individual payment plan. An administration fee will also apply.

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 change request is received, it may not be possible to change payment terms for that academic year, or an additional fee may apply.

Any fees that are more than 60 days overdue could 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.

If you are struggling to keep up your fee payments, please contact the Finance Team who will agree a realistic payment plan with you to enable you to continue your studies.

Is there anywhere I can apply for a bursary?

WTC has two small bursary funds – the Principal's Bursary Fund (for those with a recent 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. You can apply for these bursaries when you complete your application form to study and by requesting an application form from the Finance Team for subsequent years.

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

A General Bursary award of up to 40% can be applied for by students on the CertHe or BA programmes, and up to 20% for GradDip students. Other criteria apply. There are currently no WTC bursaries for the MA.



Both WTC bursaries are awarded on an annual basis, and you can apply each year you meet the criteria.

If you think you are eligible to apply for any of these funds and need assistance, please contact our Finance Team (**finance@wtctheology.org.uk**) and we will help you with information and/or forms.

Can I apply for a student loan?

WTC students cannot access government student finance 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.

NB: A £75 administration fee applies where students utilise a loan from Kingdom Bank. (This replaces the termly payment plan administration fee).

Applications for Disabled Students Allowance (DSA)

As WTC students are not currently eligible for government student loans, they are not eligible for DSA.

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 our students find to pay their programme fees. Here are a few ideas:

- · Ask your friends and family for support.
- 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 a number of grant making trusts which have supported WTC students in the past. The details for some of these can be found **on our website**.
- 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 <u>Stewardship</u> (you can see an example of a WTC student profile <u>Jake</u>
 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.

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. WTC Residentials are held at the Jubilee Campus, University of Nottingham. Similarly, costs of travel to and from the Mini-Resis for CPL students are not included.

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



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, and 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.

Students taking an **IoS** will be charged **£250** each year of their IoS. This is made up of £100 admin fee and £150 for continued access to:

- MyWTC, Moodle, and online/library resources
- 1 x 30 min meeting with a Faculty member
- 2 x 30 min meetings with the Learning Development Tutor

If students do not want the continued access to resources and meetings with LDT and Faculty, they pay £100 per year of their IoS. If the IoS is taken during the second or third term of the academic year, the £150 access to resources/meetings fee will be calculated on a pro rata basis.

loS fees are waived for students in receipt of the PBF for the first year of their loS. After that, if they wish to continue to access the resources and support, they need to pay as above.

Students enrolled with Chester University will lose access to all Chester online resources, as their enrolment has been suspended with the University for the period of the IoS.

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.

Withdrawal or Interruption of Studies Costs* Amount owing at point of withdrawal **Undergrad Postgrad** or interruption £400 £400 Before attendance at first Residential** Post cancellation period up to 30th Sept £1,950 £1,850 Any point between 30th Sept and 31st Dec £2,650 £2,500 Any point between the 31st Dec and 31st Mar £3.950 £3,750 Any point between 31st Mar and 31st July £4,650 £4,400



- * These figures include the full £250 annual fee, so actual charges may be less for IoS taken in the second and third term, as explained above.
- ** Depending on when you decide to withdraw, if we have booked and paid for accommodation and board at Nottingham University, we cannot refund the deposit. If you withdraw before this point, we can return it in some instances. Also valid for Withdrawal in the first 14 days of the programme (starting on the first day of the Residential).

Repeating Residentials

If you return to studying in 2024/25 following an IoS, you will return at the same point in the academic year as when you interrupted.

However, if you wish to repeat the teaching at either the September or the January residential, the following additional fees will apply:

Sept 2024 Resi Repeat = £450

Jan 2025 Resi Repeat = £350

Note: The costs for repeating residentials include the accommodation costs, as well as a small contribution towards administration and faculty costs.

Foundations Course Fees

The fees outlined above relate to our validated courses. We also offer a Foundations in Theology Course (FC) which is unaccredited. The fees for the FC are £1,000, and are payable up front, and this can be paid via bank transfer or via debit/credit card through Stripe. A payment processing fee may apply for card payments.

Which currency can I pay in?

We can only accept payment in sterling. Direct bank transfers are preferred, however we can accept card payments via Stripe if absolutely necessary.