

Additional Course Related Costs 2025/26

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Additional cost	Who does this cost apply to?	Is the cost optional or mandatory?	Estimated minimum cost (£)	Estimated maximum cost (£)	When does the cost occur?	Additional details
Laptop, PC or other device	All courses, all modes of study.	Optional	£0	£1,000	Duration of course	PCs are available for use within the University, however new students are encouraged to have ownership of or guaranteed daily access to a PC, laptop or other device of their own that is compatible with Office 365 (the software is provided free of charge).
Stationary and learning resources	All courses, all modes of study.	Optional	£0	£205	Duration of course	This may include books for your own annotation, stationary, printing and photocopying costs. Resources are provided by SHU library services (in print and electronically) but students may purchase their own copies if they wish. Students may print off their resources as they wish. However, assessments are typically submitted online.
Visa and travel costs for studying in the UK	International students (including non-resident EU students) travelling to study any course at Sheffield Hallam University.	Mandatory	Dependent on country travelled from.		Prior to starting your course.	<p>Visa costs Students will be required to pay their visa costs and meet any financial conditions. See the government website for the latest costs and conditions: www.gov.uk/browse/visas-immigration/student-visas. This includes direct and indirect costs associated with applications for third-country visas should a visa be required in order to participate in international learning experiences embedded within a course (for example, an international field trip).</p> <p>Health-related costs Students applying for visas for longer than six months will be asked to pay an Immigration Health Surcharge to cover costs for any medical treatment during their time in the UK as part of the visa application process. If you are coming to the UK as a full-time higher education student and you have a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) which has been issued in an EU country after 1 January 2021, you may be able to apply for a refund of your Immigration Health Surcharge fee.</p> <p>Applicants from some countries are required to have a tuberculosis (TB) test if they are coming to the UK for more than six months. See the government website for a list of countries this applies to: www.gov.uk/tb-test-visa.</p> <p>Students travelling to the UK for study of six months or less must purchase travel insurance prior to travelling to the UK. This is to cover costs for any medical treatment whilst in the UK.</p>
Travel costs as part of your course	All courses, all modes of study.	Optional	Dependent on location & transport choices.		Mandatory	Students may complete consultancy projects as part of their studies, which can include travelling to undertake research and attend interviews, employment fairs and company visits.
Placement costs	All courses offering a placement year.	Optional	Dependent on location.		During your placement year.	Students choose their own placement, so travel and accommodation expenses will depend on your choice of location. In most cases students are able to manage on the money that they receive by budgeting accordingly but this can depend on local factors such as pay rates for placements and local costs of living and accommodation.
Travel to study or work abroad	All courses, all modes of study.	Optional	Dependent on destination.		Prior to and/or during your study or work abroad.	You may be offered the opportunity to undertake an international study exchange or an international work placement as part of your course. This will incur additional costs which will vary by destination. You may be eligible for financial support from the UK Government's Turing Scheme. This may contribute towards the extra costs of studying or working abroad and is paid in addition to any standard grant or loans you receive. However, this is not guaranteed and is unlikely to cover all costs.
Broadband	Distance learning courses	Mandatory	£22 per month	£46 per month	Throughout your course.	You will need broadband access with a reliable connection. Guidance on the latest version of relevant software will be provided by your course leader.

Graduation	All courses, all modes of study.	Optional	£40	£165	After your final year.	<p>Students attending a graduation ceremony will be required to pay for gown hire and photography (optional) through an external provider and tickets for any guests attending the ceremony. There is no charge for the student's own ticket. Prices for 2025/26 are to be confirmed but in 2023 the following costs applied.</p> <p>Gown hire: £40-£60 depending on level of award Tickets: £10 per guest Photography costs are dependent on the chosen package.</p>
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Politics	Some courses		dependent on location	dependent on location	Study Abroad	Optional	2	In Semester 2 of Level 5 students can choose to Study Abroad. If they do they will incur the cost of travel, accommodation and subsistence. If they choose to study at a European University then they can access Erasmus Exchange funds. However, the majority of our students go the USA, Canada or Australia. The cost of studying abroad in non-European countries isn't currently captured under the Erasmus exchange heading. For countries not covered by the Erasmus scheme students may have to pay around £2000 for travel, travel insurance, health insurance and possible visas (US and Australia). Plus accommodation fees might be higher if they are living in residences while abroad as opposed to private rental or living at home.
Politics	BA HON POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS	FULL TIME	dependent on location	dependent on location	Placement travel costs	Optional	2	Students can choose to undertake an international work placement (currently in Germany or South Africa). They will be required to pay the cost of their travel and accommodation.
					International work placement	Optional	2	Some students may incur travel costs if they choose to collect data for their research project/dissertation off campus.
					Travel costs	Optional	3	
Politics	BA HON POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS	SANDWICH	dependent on location	dependent on location	Placement travel costs	Optional	3	Students can choose to undertake an international work placement (currently in Germany or South Africa). They will be required to pay the cost of their travel and accommodation.
					International work placement	Optional	3	Some students may incur travel costs if they choose to collect data for their research project/dissertation off campus.
					Travel costs	Optional	4	
Politics	BA HON POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS WITH FOUNDATION YEAR	FULL TIME (INCLUDING SANDWICH)	dependent on location	dependent on location	Placement travel costs	Optional	3	Students can choose to undertake an international work placement (currently in Germany or South Africa). They will be required to pay the cost of their travel and accommodation.
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Politics	MA INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AND GLOBAL CRISES	FULL TIME	£0	£500	Travel costs	Optional	1	Some students may incur travel costs if they choose to collect data for their research project/dissertation off campus.
Politics	PHD POLITICS	FULL TIME	£0	£0				There are not expected to be any mandatory additional costs for postgraduate research students. As part of the admissions process, the University will establish that there are sufficient and available resources to support students in undertaking their research. The University will provide access to a desk, computer, printer, photocopying, telephone and technical resources such as laboratories, workshops, consumables or specialist equipment as agreed necessary for the project.
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