

Fees - Factsheet

How is the College financed?

Redcliffe College is an independent Christian college with no denominational or endowment funds. Around 80% of its operational budget is met by student fees. Donation income is used to supplement this fees income. Consequently, the fees set each year do not fully reflect what it actually costs to run the College.

What do the fees cover?

- Tuition – teaching and library staff, visiting lecturers, practical courses, library books and academic support staff.
- Administration/Maintenance – finance and secretarial staff, repairs and maintenance, postage, telecommunications, printing and stationery, bank and audit fees.
- Food/Accommodation – catering, heat and light, laundry (duvet/pillow), housekeeper, insurance, local government taxes and water-rates, etc.

What do I get for my money?

- The highest quality of training for cross-cultural mission: spiritually, academically and practically.
- Missiological teaching and learning in a stimulating and demanding environment, with a rich cultural diversity of student friends from more than 25 different countries.
- A ratio of teachers/tutors to students that is higher than most other Bible Colleges in the UK.
- A personal tutor, one of a team with many years of mission experience and management between them.
- Access to an excellent mission library with around 30,000 volumes, growing each year with new titles and multiple copies of key texts.
- Access to dedicated networked computer facilities, including the latest software, broadband internet and printing facilities. Students with their own equipment can also connect to our wireless network and access the internet from anywhere in the college grounds, including Redcliffe House and Redcliffe Court.
- Regular visits from mission scholars, practitioners and experts in their field from all over the world.
- Comfortable rooms, good food and well-maintained facilities.

How much do I need to have in advance?

- Deposit – a non-refundable deposit is required on acceptance of a place in College. The deposit required is £250 for individuals, £400 per studying couple or £50 for students supported by the Strategic Leadership Fund. This deposit can be paid by cheque (payable to 'Redcliffe College') or by bank transfer. If paying by bank transfer, please quote reference 'Fees/your name' and tell us you have done this. This deposit is held towards your first semester's fees.
- Fees – in order to spread the cost of your fees, you will be billed on or before Week 1 and Week 7 of semesters 1 and 2, and the first week of semester 3. The College understands that many students will be dependent upon savings, any earnings and gifts. It recognises they will be living "by faith" but, under normal circumstances, would expect that at least a semester's fees will be available to a student at the start of each year, as confirmation of that faith.

What are the arrangements for accommodation?

- Residential Students – all single students and most married couples live in the residential wing of the college. Up to six families (with or without children) can be accommodated at Redcliffe Court, subject to availability. Please note that during the summer vacation and semester breaks some or all accommodation may be used for conferences and at this time may need to be vacated. Students can stay at college during semester breaks at a nominal charge, subject to availability.
- Non-Residential Students – if you choose not to live in College we may be able to assist, wherever possible, in finding alternative accommodation, but we cannot guarantee to do so.
- Meals for Non-Residential Students – students living out can opt to eat a cooked lunch at College and this is reflected in the non-residential fee. If you prefer to bring your own lunch, you will receive a credit to your account for meals not taken.
- Full-time MA students – your course will run from September to August the following academic year. You can stay in college from the end of Semester 3 until 31 August in order to complete your dissertation. There will be a nominal charge for accommodation during this time.

What Government assistance can I receive if I am a UK or EU student?

Please see 'Student Loans Factsheet'.

What if I am an overseas student?

If you are a non-UK European Union national you may be eligible for support via the Erasmus scheme – see www.britishcouncil.org/erasmus for information .

Can I work outside of College to pay my fees?

Yes, providing you inform the College that you intend to do so.

Can I get other assistance to pay my fees?

Every year we seek to give financial support to a small number of students from our Strategic Leadership Fund (SLF). To be considered for support, students must be emerging leaders, recommended by the churches in their home countries or by international mission agencies. (Please refer to the Strategic Leadership Fund Factsheet for more information).

SLF funding typically covers 40-60% of costs with the balance coming from the sending church and other friends and supporting groups. It should be stressed we aim to help the maximum number of SLF applicants and demand is far greater than our ability to grant funds.

How much will the fees go up?

Naturally the College is subject to the UK economy and we would expect fees to rise each year by between 3% and 5%.

What happens if I withdraw from the course?

Once a course of study has been commenced students can only withdraw from it in exceptional circumstances. The College will have set a budget on the basis of students completing their course of study so any withdrawal has financial consequences for the College. If a student withdraws from a course of study, they will normally be required to pay the full tuition fees for the half-semester when notice is given.