



University of  
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## Recent graduate discount

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## Introduction

The University offers Recent graduate discount (RGD), which is a 10% discount in postgraduate tuition fees, to St Andrews graduates. This is subject to the conditions below.

## Conditions

1. Students must hold an offer of a place on a postgraduate degree programme at St Andrews.
2. Students must have either:
  - i. graduated, or have been eligible to graduate, from the University of St Andrews with a recognised degree defined in the Senate Regulations, at a graduation ceremony within the last three years;
  - or,
  - ii. completed a Study Abroad or Exchange programme at St Andrews and are returning for postgraduate studies.
3. The RGD does not apply to students transferring into any postgraduate degree programme from another St Andrews degree programme (i.e. a change in qualification aim from MPhil to PhD), unless the student was already eligible for RGD on the original programme, in which case the RGD transfers with the student.
4. Previous study on an International Education Institute (IE) postgraduate preparation programme does not count as eligibility for RGD on future postgraduate degree programmes.
5. The RGD only applies to tuition fees. This means that extension, continuation or any other fees are excluded.
6. The RGD applies to the self-funded portion of the tuition fee i.e. to the fee payable by the student. Students cannot receive the RGD if they are in receipt of other sponsorship, scholarship or bursary schemes which cover the student's tuition fees in full. Such examples may include scholarships through the relevant academic School, Research Council awards, an overseas agency, SFC or Government scholarships, or students supported by their employer for professional development programmes. This list is not exclusive.
7. Postgraduate Tuition Fee Loans from e.g. SAAS will be considered as a self-funded element of the tuition fee.
8. For students who are attending degree programmes that are taught in conjunction with other universities and institutions of higher education, the RGD will be applied only to the St Andrews element of the tuition fee.
9. If a student withdraws from their course of study, or takes leave of absence, the RGD will apply to any part of the fee as defined above that is due up to the point of approved withdrawal.
10. Students eligible for the staff concessionary fee rate are not eligible for the RGD.
11. The decision of the University Fees Officer will be final in all cases.

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