Most UNSW commencing undergraduate domestic places are Commonwealth Supported. Most postgraduate students pay tuition fees, however, limited Postgraduate Commonwealth Supported Places are available to eligible students in some UNSW programs.

For more information on Commonwealth Support eligibility, see Commonwealth Assistance.

**UNSW Student Contribution Rates**

The below table outlines the maximum student contribution amount (per EFTSL) for a Commonwealth supported student.

For current students, your Fee statement is available on myUNSW at the beginning of each semester. Your current liability is also displayed in the centre column of the myUNSW My Student Profile tab.

Your contribution amount may be affected by when you began your studies. View previous years’ rates here.

**Note:** Students enrolling in the University Learning and Teaching program (7375) do not incur a student contribution liability.

### 2018 Rates

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<th>Bands</th>
<th>Maximum Student Contribution amount (per EFTSL)</th>
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<tr>
<td>3: Law, Accounting, Administration, Economics, Commerce, Medicine</td>
<td>$10,951</td>
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<tr>
<td>1: Humanities, Behavioural Science, Social Studies, Clinical Psychology, Foreign Languages, Visual and Performing Arts, Education ^</td>
<td>$6,561</td>
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**NOTE:** Some courses may be charged at a higher band rate depending on the course content. Check the actual band for a specific course in the Handbook.

*Maximum student contribution amounts are subject to passage of the Higher Education Support Legislation Amendment (A More Sustainable, Responsive and Transparent Higher Education System) Bill 2017.*

^ Education

Subject to passage of legislation, there will be no grandfathering of maximum student contribution amounts for education and nursing students from 1 January 2018.

**Enabling**

The maximum student contribution amount for a place in a unit of study that forms part of an enabling course for 2018 is $3,271.
Calculating Student Contribution using Units Of Credit (UOC)

Explanation and example

Most courses at UNSW consist of 6 Unit of Credits (UOC). A full-time student will usually enrol in 4 courses per semester giving them a total of 24 UOC per semester, 48 UOC per year. Use the table above to find your maximum student contribution amount per year (e.g. Humanities = $6,561 for 1 full-time year of study). Divide the yearly amount by 48 to get the amount for each Unit Of Credit and then multiply by 6 to get the amount for each course of study.

Example

Jane is studying a Bachelor of Arts. Using the table above her student contribution amount for 2018 will be approximately $6,561* per year of full-time study. Jane divides the yearly amount by 48 to get the amount per Unit of Credit then multiplies by 6 to get the amount per course as follows:

\[ \frac{6,561}{48} \times 6 = 820 \text{ per 6 UOC course} \]

*The amount that Jane has worked out is approximate as she is assuming that all her courses will be Band 1. It is important to check each course in the Handbook as not all courses in a program will be under the same student contribution band.

Calculating Student Contribution Amounts using EFTSL

Explanation and example

Equivalent full-time student load (EFTSL) is a measure of study load for one year on a full-time basis. At UNSW this is defined as 48 units of credit (UOC). The amount of the student contribution depends on the EFTSL value of the course:

Calculation

Note: Individual course UOC values are available from the Handbook.

<table>
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<th>6 UOC</th>
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<th>= 0.125 EFTSL</th>
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<td>3 UOC</td>
<td>divided by 48 (total no. of units for a full-time year)</td>
<td>= 0.0625 EFTSL</td>
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<tr>
<td>8 UOC</td>
<td>divided by 48 (total no. of units for a full-time year)</td>
<td>= 0.167 EFTSL</td>
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Example

Ana commences a Bachelor of Commerce in 2018. One of her courses is an Accounting course, ACCT1501. The student contribution for this course is $10,951 for one EFTSL (Band 3). It's a 6 UOC course, so it has an EFTSL value of 0.125, according to the table above.

Her 2018 student contribution amount for this course is calculated as follows:

Commerce (Band 3): \( 10,951 \times \text{EFTSL value for 6 UOC: 0.125} = \text{Student Contribution: } 1386 \) (rounded down)

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