

University of South Wales Postgraduate Alumni Discount 2022/2023

University of South Wales scholarships and bursaries are offered on the basis that they are potentially subject to change. The University also reserves the right to limit the number of scholarships and bursaries available.

The University of South Wales is offering a **20% reduction in tuition fees** for all University of South Wales* graduates starting a taught/online** MA, MSc, LLM, MBA, DBA course or a PcET/PGCE course from September 2022 (this includes students starting their course in January/February 2023).

Who is eligible for the Postgraduate Alumni Discount?

The discount will be **automatically applied** to your tuition fee account **if you meet all** of the following requirements:

- Be considered by the University to be a **Home** student.
- Be a **University of South Wales Alumni graduate*** who **achieved a 2:1 or above** in your undergraduate degree** from the University of South Wales.
- Enrol and be studying an **eligible full or part time taught/online *** MA, MSc, LLM MBA, DBA programme or a PcET/PGCE course** at a University of South Wales campus (Treforest, Glyntaff, Cardiff, Newport) during the 2022/23 academic year.

*This includes graduates from the University of South Wales, University of Glamorgan, University of Wales Newport, the Polytechnic of Wales, Royal Welsh College of Music and Drama.

**If you studied an integrated Masters for your undergraduate degree e.g. MComp, MChiro, MEng, to be eligible for the Alumni Discount you need have achieved a Merit or Distinction in your undergraduate degree from the University of South Wales.

*****You are not eligible** for the Postgraduate Alumni Discount if you:

- Enrol on to a Postgraduate Diploma, Postgraduate Certificate, MRes, PhD, MPhil, Masters by Research, Integrated Masters (MChiro, MComp, MEng).
- Are studying a course with a franchised partnership e.g. Learna Ltd, UNICAF and Perpetuity Training
- Are studying one of the following **online, distance learning or E Delivery courses**:
 - Master of Business Administration (MBA)
 - MBA Global- (all pathways)
 - MSc Management

- MSc Strategic Procurement Management
- MA Documentary Photography
- MSc Leading Digital Transformation
- MA Animation
- MSc International Logistics and Supply Chain Management

How is the discount applied?

Following enrolment, you will receive an invoice from the University that details the tuition fees you or your sponsor have to pay. If you meet the criteria and were a student of USW (since 2013) or of the University of Glamorgan (since 2003) then we will apply your Alumni Discount automatically, if you studied prior to 2003 or studied at the former University of Wales, Newport then you will need to contact the University to ask for the discount to be applied. Please contact either the Revenue Team Revenue@southwales.ac.uk or Student Money advice Team scholarships@southwales.ac.uk

I am a full/part time student but am exempt from one or more modules due to Accredited Prior Achievement (APA) or Advanced Prior Learning (APL) – will I still be eligible to receive the Alumni discount?

Yes, you will receive the Alumni Discount based on the amount you are being charged.

If I withdraw from/interrupt my studies, does the alumni discount still apply to the tuition fees already incurred?

Yes, the discount will be applied to the tuition fees incurred if you withdraw/interrupt from your studies.

Is there a time limit from when I completed my undergraduate qualification to when I can be awarded the alumni discount?

There is no time limit in relation to when your undergraduate qualification was completed.

I have studied a PGCE/PcET at the University of South Wales, am I entitled to the Alumni Discount if I study a masters?

No. However, if you also have a 2:1 degree or above from the University of South Wales, then you would be eligible for the discount.

What happens if I transfer course?

As long as you transfer to another eligible course, then your entitlement to the postgraduate discount remains the same. If you transfer to a non-eligible course the postgraduate discount will be removed from your tuition fees.

I am an existing postgraduate student; will I be entitled to apply for the discount for my current course?

No. The Postgraduate Alumni discount only applies to students who will be starting a new, eligible, postgraduate Masters course starting in September 2022 (this includes students starting their course in January/February 2023)

If I repeat elements of my course, will the discount still apply?

Yes, you will continue to receive the discount for the duration of your eligible course that you started in the 2022/23 academic year.

If I have to apply for an Interruption of Studies, will the discount still apply on my return?

Yes, providing your application to interrupt your studies is approved by the University and you return within the agreed timeframe.

Can I appeal against any decisions regarding my eligibility?

All applicants/students have the right to appeal decisions regarding their eligibility for the Postgraduate Alumni Discount.

Appeals in relation to achieving a 2:1 or above can only be considered if you can provide evidence that there were extenuating circumstances as to why you did not submit an appeal/ apply for Post Board extenuating circumstances when you received your degree classification.

Full details regarding the appeal process are available here

<https://www.southwales.ac.uk/study/fees-and-funding/scholarship-bursary-appeal-process/>

If you have any queries relating to the Postgraduate Alumni Discount, please contact the Student Money Advice Team on scholarships@southwales.ac.uk or the Revenue Department on revenue@southwales.ac.uk