



## AMOUNTS FOR 2021

### Total resourcing for a Commonwealth supported place by discipline - 2021

Table 1: The below table shows Government contributions under the Commonwealth Grant Scheme and maximum student contribution amounts for a student place (equivalent full-time student load).

Funding cluster	Part of funding cluster	Maximum student contribution amounts	Australian Government contribution	Total resourcing
<b>Funding cluster 1</b> Law, Accounting, Administration, Economics, Commerce, Communications, Society and Culture <sup>1&amp;2</sup>		\$14,500	\$1,100	\$15,600
<b>Funding cluster 2</b> Education, Clinical Psychology, English, Mathematics, Statistics, Allied Health, Other Health, Built Environment, Computing, Visual and Performing Arts, Professional Pathway Psychology, Professional Pathway Social Work	Education, Postgraduate Clinical Psychology <sup>3</sup> , English, Mathematics or Statistics	\$3,950	\$13,250	\$17,200
	Allied Health, Other Health, Built Environment, Computing, Visual and Performing Arts, Professional Pathway Psychology <sup>4</sup> or Professional Pathway Social Work <sup>5</sup>	\$7,950		\$21,200
<b>Funding cluster 3</b> Nursing, Indigenous and Foreign Languages, Engineering, Surveying, Environmental Studies, Science	Nursing, Indigenous and Foreign Languages	\$3,950	\$16,250	\$20,200
	Engineering, Surveying, Environmental Studies or Science	\$7,950		\$24,200
<b>Funding cluster 4</b> Agriculture, Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Science, Pathology	Agriculture	\$3,950	\$27,000	\$30,950
	Medicine, Dentistry or Veterinary Science	\$11,300		\$38,300
	Pathology	\$7,950		\$34,950

**Notes:**

1. Excluding Postgraduate Clinical Psychology units, which are in funding cluster 2 (see note 3) and excluding Professional Pathway Psychology units with FOE codes starting with 0907 which are in cluster 2 (see note 4).
2. Excluding Professional Pathway Social Work units with FOE codes starting with 0905 which are in cluster 2 (see note 5).
3. Postgraduate Clinical Psychology units of study are in funding cluster 2 and are psychology units of study (FOE code 090701) that contribute to courses of study that are accredited for the purposes of professional registration by the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) and which lead to Endorsed Areas of Practice in Clinical Psychology, Clinical Neuropsychology, Counselling Psychology, Educational and Developmental Psychology, Forensic Psychology, Health Psychology, Sports Psychology and Community Psychology.
4. Professional Pathway Psychology units of study are Behavioural Science units (with FOE codes starting with 0907) that contribute to a course of study that leads to a bachelor degree or honours degree in psychology with a course structure that makes it compulsory to study units relevant to professional registration as a psychologist by the Psychology Board of Australia, and the course of study represents a pathway to professional registration as a psychologist.
5. Professional Pathway Social Work units of study are Human Welfare Studies and Services units (with FOE codes starting with 0905) that contribute to courses of study that lead to a bachelor degree, honours degree or master's degree in:
  - a. social work accredited by the Australian Association of Social Workers;
  - b. youth work accredited by Youth Work Australia;
  - c. counselling accredited by the Australian Counsellors Association and/or the Psychotherapy and Counselling Federation of Australia; and
  - d. community work accredited by the Australian Community Workers Association.

Table 2: The below table shows the grandfathered Government contribution and maximum student contribution amounts for a student place (equivalent full-time student load) in a grandfathered funding cluster part.

Funding cluster	Part of funding cluster	Maximum student contribution amounts	Australian Government contribution	Total resourcing
<b>Funding cluster 1</b> Law, Accounting, Administration, Economics, Commerce, Communications, Society and Culture	Law, Accounting, Administration, Economics or Commerce	\$11,355	\$2,237	\$13,592
	Any other subpart of the Society and Culture part of the first funding cluster	\$6,804	\$6,226	\$13,030
	The Social Studies or Behavioural Science subpart of the Society and Culture part of the new first funding cluster	\$6,804	\$11,015	\$17,819
	Communications	\$6,804	\$13,547	\$20,351
<b>Funding cluster 2</b> Education, Postgraduate Clinical Psychology, English, Mathematics, Statistics, Allied Health, Other Health, Built Environment, Computing, Visual and Performing Arts, Professional Pathway Psychology, Professional Pathway Social Work	Education, Postgraduate Clinical Psychology, English, Mathematics or Statistics	\$3,950	\$13,250	\$17,200
	Allied Health, Other Health, Built Environment or Computing	\$7,950		\$21,200
	Visual and Performing Arts	\$6,804	\$13,547	\$20,351
	Professional Pathway Psychology or Professional Pathway Social Work	\$6,804	\$11,015	\$17,819
<b>Funding cluster 3</b> Nursing, Indigenous and Foreign Languages, Engineering, Surveying, Environmental Studies, Science	Nursing, Indigenous and Foreign Languages	\$3,950	\$16,250	\$20,200
	Engineering, Surveying, Environmental Studies or Science	\$7,950		\$24,200
<b>Funding cluster 4</b> Agriculture, Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Science, Pathology	Agriculture	\$3,950	\$27,000	\$30,950
	Medicine, Dentistry or Veterinary Science	\$11,300		\$38,300
	Pathology	\$7,950		\$34,950

**Note:**

New funding clusters and contribution amounts will take effect in the 2021 academic year. Grandfathering arrangements will be in place for students who would see an increase in their contribution amounts. Under these arrangements, students who commenced their course of study before 1 January 2021 facing increased student contribution amounts for a unit, will instead have their student contribution and Australian Government contribution amounts remain as they were under the previous arrangements (with existing rates being indexed by CPI each year. If continuing students are enrolled in units that will see their student contribution amount lowered, their student contributions will be the lowered amount and the Australian Government contribution would be the new rate. That is, there will be no "mixing" of old and new rates for a unit.

## HELP loan limit

Following the passage of the *Higher Education Support Legislation Amendment (Student Loan Sustainability) Act 2018*, from 1 January 2020 the FEE-HELP limit has been replaced by the HELP loan limit and includes HECS-HELP loans with census dates from 1 January 2020.

The HELP loan limit is the maximum amount that a person can borrow under HELP. This limit excludes any loan fee.

The HELP loan limit in 2021 is **\$155,448** for medicine, dentistry and veterinary science students (as defined in the *Higher Education Support Act 2003*) and **\$108,232** for all other students.

## Maximum OS-HELP amount

The maximum OS-HELP amount is the maximum amount that a student can borrow under OS-HELP for a given period of six months. The maximum OS-HELP amount in 2021 is **\$7,037** if the student will not be studying in Asia or **\$8,444** if the student will be studying in Asia and an additional **\$1,123** if the student will be undertaking Asian language study in preparation for study in Asia.

## Maximum SA-HELP fee

The maximum Student Services and Amenities Fee for 2021 is **\$313**.

## Minimum indicative course fees for fee-paying overseas students in 2021

Chapter 6 of the *Higher Education Provider Guidelines* details the requirements with which higher education providers must comply in imposing fees for fee-paying overseas students. The following table shows the minimum indicative course fees for 2021.

COURSE CATEGORIES		Total without capital component	Total with capital component
<b>ON CAMPUS</b>			
<b>Fees weekly</b>			
1.	English Language Intensive Courses for Overseas Students	\$319	\$349
<b>Fees per year (Equivalent Full-time)</b>			
2.	Law, Economics, Business, Humanities, Maths/Statistics, Social Science, Education, Computing, Architecture, Design, Nursing, Arts, Science (non-lab-based)	\$11,136	\$13,286
3.	Science (lab-based), Paramedical, Engineering, Pharmacy, Agriculture	\$16,815	\$19,873
4.	Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Science	\$23,255	\$27,371
<b>EXTERNAL</b>			
<b>Fees weekly</b>			
E1.	English Language Intensive Courses for Overseas Students	\$319	\$349
<b>Fees per year (Equivalent Full-time)</b>			
E2.	Law, Economics, Business, Humanities, Maths/Statistics, Social Science, Education, Computing, Architecture, Design, Nursing, Arts, Science (non-lab-based)	\$11,136	\$11,736
E3.	Science (lab-based), Paramedical, Engineering, Pharmacy, Agriculture	\$16,815	\$17,633