

HEFCW's part-time undergraduate teaching funding HEFCW's per capita provision for postgraduate taught (PGT) provision 2019/20

Part-time undergraduate teaching funding

1. HEFCW's part-time (PT) undergraduate (UG) teaching funding method is primarily credit based with additional funding allocated in the form of per capita and premium funding.

Credit based funding

The formula element

2. The formula element of the PT UG teaching funding method operates by level and subject. There are two levels: undergraduate (not franchised out) and undergraduate franchised out, and 11 Academic Subject Categories (ASCs), some sub-divided. The collective term for a given level and subject is a *funding cell*.
3. Since 2000/01 PT UG student numbers have been funded on the basis of credit values and there are two categories of numbers – core and addition. Core numbers are based on the current year's funded or actual (enrolled) numbers, whichever are the lower; and addition numbers are those provided above the core.
4. Core numbers in each institution are maximised by making adjustments as far as possible in line with the pattern of the previous year's enrolment. Within limits, and taking account of policy priorities, funded numbers unfilled in one funding cell may be moved to another where numbers have been exceeded. Funding cells are assigned to one of several policy priority groups and numbers are moved by the funding model to cells of equal or higher priority. In 2019/20, franchised out was a priority.
5. Addition numbers are allocated taking account first of the funding and numbers available to HEFCW, and then of policy priorities, that is any priorities in terms of ASC or level or mode. In 2019/20, all fundable credit values were converted to funded credits, meaning that growth was allocated for those providers that recruited over their funded numbers.
6. For 2019/20 funding, funded credits from 2018/19 and actual credits from 2017/18 or 2018/19 were used, dependent on the provider's preference.
7. Credit values are funded on the basis of HEFCW's standard unit of funding for the ASC in which they are located.

Redistribution of funded numbers

8. The funding method provides for some redistribution of funded numbers outside the funding formula. Those institutions which wish to shape their PT UG profile in ways that differ from those dictated by the adjustment of funded numbers to establish each year's core, may make a case for doing so. Providers may also provide a case to

move funded credits to other providers. HEFCW invites such cases each year following the announcement of grant for the coming year.

9. All movement of numbers, within the funding formula and outside it, is undertaken on the basis of monetary values.

Units of Funding for PT UG credit based funding 2019/20

Academic subject category		Unit of Funding £ per credit value
1	Medicine and Dentistry	38.20
2	Subjects and Professions Allied to Medicine	26.47
3	Science	30.09
4	Engineering and Technology	33.87
5	Built Environment	26.83
6	Mathematical Sciences, IT & Computing	23.74
7	Business and Management	14.83
8	Social Sciences	13.16
9	Humanities	18.67
10	Art, Design and Performing Arts	23.33
11a	Education: Initial Teacher Education (QTS)	26.89
11b	Education: Non-QTS	22.78

Notes:

The units of funding shown here have been used in the calculation of the credit based funding for PT UG provision and in the calculation of the Welsh medium premium.

Other funding

10. The Council makes two other types of payments for PT UG: per capita and premium. Both are retrospective, based on the number of enrolments or credit values achieved the previous year or, in circumstances where numbers are anticipated to be subject to year on year fluctuations, on the average of the last two years' data.
11. Per capita payments recognise the fixed costs attached to all students, those of enrolment, records etc. They are allocated on a £5 per student basis, subject to a minimum study requirement of 10 credit values.
12. Premium payments currently operate in three areas: Access and Retention premium for socially excluded groups, Welsh medium provision, and students with disabilities. The access and retention premium has two elements; a premium is awarded in respect of students from areas of low participation in higher education and students from Communities First areas. The Welsh medium premium is a weighting on the funding attracted by a module undertaken through the medium of Welsh; and the disability premium is an amount per student based on the numbers of students recorded as receiving a Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA). Per capita funding, the access and retention premium and the disability premium were based on 2017/18 Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA) student record data and the Welsh

medium premium allocation was based on 2016/17 and 2017/18 HESA student record data.

Postgraduate taught teaching funding

13. Per capita funding is also allocated for postgraduate taught provision and is based on the number of enrolments in the previous year. Funding is allocated on a £5 per student basis, subject to a minimum study requirement of 10 credit values. HESA student record data for 2017/18 was used to allocate 2019/20 funding.

Adjustment to funding

14. HEFCW adjusts funding at the end of the year where the PT UG credit values actually enrolled by an institution fail to support the funding allocation made to it.
15. There is a threshold below which no adjustment is applied. Currently this is £50,000 or 10% of the institution's total grant for teaching (including PT UG, PGT and FT UG/PGCE), which ever is the lesser.