

Indexed amounts for 2009

Commonwealth Grant Scheme funding cluster amounts

The following table shows the Commonwealth Grant Scheme (CGS) funding cluster (Commonwealth contribution) amounts for 2009.

Funding cluster		Commonwealth contribution (\$)
		2009
1	Law, accounting, administration, economics, commerce	1,709
2	Humanities	4,743
3	Mathematics [#] , statistics [#] , behavioural science, social studies, education*, computing, built environment, other health	8,389
4	Clinical psychology, allied health, foreign languages, visual and performing arts	10,317
5	Nursing*	11,517
6	Engineering, science [#] , surveying	14,664
7	Dentistry, medicine, veterinary science, agriculture	18,610

- *Funding cluster rates for nursing and education includes amounts for nursing clinical placement and teacher practicum.
- [#]The Australian Government also provides an additional \$3,250 per EFTSL for mathematics, statistics and science units for students who are covered by the lower contribution amounts introduced in 2009.

Maximum student contribution amounts for a place

The following table shows the maximum student contribution amounts for a place (EFTSL) that may be charged for units of study in 2009.

The transitional arrangements for pre-2005 students and pre-1997 students will end on 31 December 2008, regardless of whether students have completed their courses. From 1 January 2009, continuing former pre-2005 and pre-1997 students will be covered by the same arrangements as apply to students who commenced in 2005. The transitional arrangements apply only to units of study that end on or before 31 December 2008. A unit of study that commences before this date but extends into 2009 is not covered by the transitional arrangements.

Pre-2008 students: For pre-2008 students, the maximum student contribution amount that may be charged for Accounting, Administration, Economics and Commerce units is **\$7,412**. This amount applies to Commonwealth supported students who commenced a course of study before 1 January 2008 and are covered by the savings provision in Schedule 7 of the *Higher Education Legislation Amendment (2007 Budget Measures) Act 2007*.

Pre-2009 students: For pre-2009 students, the maximum student contribution amount that may be charged for mathematics, statistics and science units is \$7,412.

Band		Funding cluster	2009 maximum student contribution amount
3	Law, Accounting, Administration, Economics, Commerce	1	\$8,677
	Dentistry, Medicine, Veterinary Science	7	
2	Computing, Built Environment, Other Health	3	\$7,412
	Allied Health	4	
	Engineering Surveying	6	
	Agriculture	7	
1	Humanities	2	\$5,201
	Behavioural Science, Social Studies	3	
	Clinical Psychology, Foreign Languages, Visual and Performing Arts	4	
National Priority	Education, Mathematics*, Statistics*	3	\$4,162
	Nursing	5	
	Science*	6	

*Notes:

- 1 The national priority maximum student contribution amount will also apply to continuing students who transfer to a Natural and Physical Sciences course of study from a non Natural and Physical Sciences course of study.
- 2 Mathematics, statistics and science units of study are those units of study in the natural and physical sciences Field of Education that are classified in Chapter 9 of the Commonwealth Grant Scheme (CGS) Guidelines as being in Funding Cluster 3 or 6. The Guidelines will be amended to reflect these units.
- 3 A natural and physical sciences course of study means a course of study in the field of natural and physical sciences, classified as Broad Field 01 the publication Australian Standard Classification of Education (ASCED) 2001¹

¹ *Australian Standard Classification of Education (ASCED) 2001* (Catalogue. no. 1272.0), Australian Bureau of Statistics, Commonwealth of Australia, (2001) Canberra.

FEE-HELP limit

The FEE-HELP limit is the maximum amount that a person can borrow under FEE-HELP over their lifetime. This limit excludes any loan fee. The FEE-HELP limit in 2009 is **\$104,142** for medicine, dentistry and veterinary science students (as defined in the *Higher Education Support Act 2003*) and **\$83,313** 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. This maximum excludes the OS-HELP loan fee. The maximum OS-HELP amount in 2009 is **\$5,410**.

Minimum indicative course fees for fee-paying overseas students in 2009

Chapter 7 of the *Higher Education Provider Guidelines* detail 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 2009.

COURSE CATEGORIES		Total without capital component	Total with capital component
ON CAMPUS			
Fees weekly			
1.	ELICOS	\$251	\$274
Fees per year (Equivalent Full-time)			
2.	Law, Economics, Business, Humanities, Maths/Statistics, Social Science, Education, Computing, Architecture, Design, Nursing, Arts, Science (non-lab-based)	\$8,584	\$10,241
3.	Science (lab-based), Paramedical, Engineering, Pharmacy, Agriculture	\$12,961	\$15,316
4.	Medicine, Dentistry, Veterinary Science	\$17,923	\$21,095
EXTERNAL			
Fees weekly			
E1.	ELICOS (fees/weekly)	\$251	\$274
Fees per year (Equivalent Full-time)			
E2.	Law, Economics, Business, Humanities, Maths/Statistics, Social Science, Education, Computing, Architecture, Design, Nursing, Arts, Science (non-lab-based)	\$8,584	\$9,048
E3.	Science (lab-based), Paramedical, Engineering, Pharmacy, Agriculture	\$12,961	\$13,591