

GIRTON COLLEGE
College Charges 2008/09

For students matriculated on or after 1st October 2007

College charges vary according to status (graduate or undergraduate) and whether living in College accommodation or not. Standard College accommodation includes rooms on the main College site, at Wolfson Court, and in any College-owned house. There are also a small number of flats and houses suitable for married students or student couples.

College charges cover access to College non-academic facilities e.g. accommodation and catering services. Access to academic facilities is covered by College fees (see separate sheet).

College charges for 2008/09 for each cohort of matriculants are shown in the Appendix to this note.

Residence charges

- 1) **Undergraduates living in standard College accommodation:**
 - a) There is a fixed residence period of ten weeks for each Term. Please consult the College web site for details of coming up and going down dates.
 - b) There is a termly residence charge which covers room rent and access to all College non-academic facilities and is fixed for three years from the start of your course (see Appendix). This residence charge applies to all undergraduates who matriculated on or after 1.10.07.
 - c) There is also a termly residence charge which is fixed for one year only each year (see Appendix). Fourth year undergraduates, including those returning from a year abroad, and returning de-graders will be charged this rate as applicable for the year in which they are resident.
 - d) In College, the residence charge includes background heating. Additional electricity usage is metered and charged at cost including VAT at 5%
 - e) In the Girton Road houses and Girton Gate, the residence charge includes a heating prepayment of £12.00 per week, which is set off against the actual charge.

- 2) **Undergraduates living out of College accommodation:**
 - a) There is a termly facilities charge which covers access to all College non-academic facilities and is fixed for three years from the start of your course (see Appendix). This facilities charge applies to all undergraduates who matriculated on or after 1.10.07.
 - b) There is also a termly facilities charge which is fixed for one year only each year (see Appendix). Fourth year undergraduates, including those returning from a year abroad, and returning de-graders will be charged this rate as applicable for the year in which they are resident.

- 3) **Graduates living in standard College accommodation:**
 - a) There is a standard residence period of 48 weeks *per annum* starting on 1st October each year and being three terms of 13 weeks followed by one summer term of 9 weeks.
 - b) There is a termly residence charge which covers room rent and access to all College non-academic facilities for thirteen weeks and is fixed for one year

- only each year (see Appendix). This rate of residence charge applies to all graduates in standard College accommodation.
- c) The termly residence charge is pro-rated for the final period of residence, which, in the case of a standard 48 week tenancy is nine weeks.
 - d) Non-standard tenancies for periods of between 39 and 51 weeks may be granted by arrangement with the Warden of Wolfson Court.
 - e) In the College hostels, the residence charge includes a heating prepayment of £12.00 per week, which is set off against the actual charge.
- 4) **Undergraduates or graduates living in College flats or houses with partners and/or children:**
- a) There is a standard tenancy of eleven months.
 - b) There is a monthly residence charge for each flat or house which covers rent and access to all College non-academic facilities and is fixed for one year only each year (see Appendix). The residence charge does not normally cover utilities or Council Tax (where applicable).
 - c) The monthly residence charge is pro-rated where necessary.
 - d) Non-standard tenancies for periods of between nine and twelve months may be granted by arrangement with the Warden of Wolfson Court.
- 5) **Graduates living out of College accommodation:**
- a) There is a termly facilities charge which covers access to all College non-academic facilities and is fixed for one year only (see Appendix). This facilities charge applies to all graduates who matriculated on or after 1.10.07.
 - b) Graduates who wish to extend their access to College non-academic facilities beyond four years (e.g. while writing up) may retain their Uniware card on payment of the graduate facilities charge applicable for that year.
- 6) **Vacation residence:**
- a) There is a weekly residence charge which covers room rent and access to College non-academic facilities outside of the standard residence period for undergraduates and which is fixed for each year. This rate of residence charge applies to all undergraduates and graduates not otherwise holding a tenancy at the rate applicable at the time of residence.
 - b) VAT will be added to the weekly residence charge for Vacation residence for non-academic reasons.

First year charges

- 7) There is a first year charge (also known as a deposit or caution money) which is charged termly in the first year of your course of study and is refundable on completion of your course, subject to a deduction of £20 for fee insurance and the cost of rectifying any damage to your room or other College property other than normal wear and tear.
- 8) There is an additional deposit, charged termly, for students living in rooms with en-suite bathrooms.
- 9) The first year charges are payable by all students and are in addition to any deposit required from self-funding students as a financial guarantee. Self-funding students are required to pay a deposit equivalent to one Term's College bill (which includes University fees). This deposit will be refunded against the last Term's bill before completion of your course.

Formal Hall

- 10) Formal Hall is held on Thursday evenings during Full Term.
 - a) There is a charge for Formal Hall tickets (see Appendix).
 - b) There is a separate charge for guest tickets for Formal Hall (see Appendix).
 - c) Undergraduates are entitled to two free Formal Hall tickets *per annum*, one of which may be a guest ticket.
 - d) Graduates are entitled to attend Formal Hall free of charge.

Other matters

- 11) There is normally no charge for the Sick Bay, but College reserves the right to charge in exceptional circumstances.
- 12) Fines and interest will be charged on overdue accounts at rates approved from time to time by Council.
- 13) College reserves the right to charge residents of College houses and hostels an additional deposit where there is a telephone in the house, unless outgoing calls are barred.
- 14) Council Tax will be paid by the College and re-charged where applicable.
- 15) All students are granted £500 of credit on their Uniware card, which may be used to pay for meals in the cafeterias at College and Wolfson Court.
- 16) There is a £15 administration charge for changing rooms during the year.
- 17) Use of the washing machines in the laundry rooms is charged at £1.65 per load.