

Grŵp Llandrillo Menai Fee and Access Plan 2021-2022



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Section 2. Fee and Access Plan

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Executive Summary

GLIM's overarching mission is 'Inspiring success by providing excellent education and training'. Aligned with the college's overarching strategic objectives, the college's HE objectives underpinning its HE strategy are to:

- 1. Support increased access to higher level skills development within the region.
- 2. Provide high quality provision that meets the needs of learners and employers.

- 3. Strengthen partnerships with employers and universities to develop provision and supports the higher level skills demands of the regional economy.
- 4. Review provision to ensure we have an efficient and effective delivery model.

The focus of the GLIM 21-22 fee and access plan is to continue to build on its previous success to further widen access to those who are traditionally underrepresented in HE with a particular focus on those living in geographical areas of low participation (Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation lowest four deciles); looked after children and young people and care leavers; Welsh speaking learners studying through the medium of Welsh; those from a black or ethnic minority background; those over the age of 23; those studying part time.

The college has a large diverse student population with an excess of 47,000 further education enrolments; of these, 33% of learners live in areas of low participation in higher education and the college is investing in measures to raise aspirations and widen opportunities and take-up, by implementing appropriate promotional, engagement and support activity to enable those learners to progress to GLIM's accessible HE provision. The aim is to facilitate seamless continued support as learners move from vocational FE to HE level study.

Increasing accessibility to our HE provision is the underpinning priority in designing the content, structure and delivery of our demand-led undergraduate programmes. Over 40% of GLIM FE enrolments are from learners over the age of 19 and the college is committed to providing accessible HE progression opportunities for mature learners, many of whom are unable to access traditional HE study in the region or beyond. For example, many such learners have substantial additional responsibilities that they are managing alongside their studies such as employment and/ or caring responsibility for example. The HE provision is planned with this in mind and learners will attend college on 1-3 days per week depending on their programme and the mode of study. GLIM is accordingly continuing to increase its part time HE offer in order that the provision becomes further able to meet such needs of mature learners, many of whom combine full time work with their HE studies.

Support for the college's further education learners who are looked after children or care leavers is an area of further investment to ensure that bespoke, individual and 'joined up' support enables those young people to successfully progress within their FE studies and raise aspirations and subsequent progression to HE studies. The college's institutional Reaching Wider investment will focus on this group of particularly vulnerable young learners.

GLIM, in partnership with its HEI partners and regional employers, has further invested in substantial extension to its HE full and part time offer to enable Welsh speaking learners to study through the medium of Welsh. In addition to ensuring greater social justice, this is designed in partnership with regional employers and is leading to widened progression.

The GLIM objectives have been revised to be more focused on those particular groups where the evidence demonstrates that there is most need alongside our capacity and investment to make the most difference. For 2021-22, they are:

Equality of Opportunity

- 1. Increasing HE recruitment, retention and attainment of under-represented groups.
- 2. Working with Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol, increase access to GLIM HE students, to scholarship and bursary funding.
- 3. Provide high quality academic and welfare support to looked after children and care leavers in transition from FE to HE.
- 4. Increase progressions to employment and/or further study.
- 5. Increase Welsh medium higher education.

Promotion of Higher Education

- 6. Increase promotion of part time higher education opportunities.
- 7. Increase publicity and promotion for FE level 3 students to raise aspiration to higher level study.

Therefore, the college is investing 19% of its total predicted full time HE fee income to meet these objectives.

Section 1 - Fee levels			
Section 1.1 – Fee levels or the determination of a fee level at each location			
Fee level	Location of course		
New full time students level 4 (2021-2022 entrants), and new students with direct entry to level 6 who have not previously studied at GLIM £8,300	Grwp Llandrillo Menai location : Rhos-on-Sea: Qualifications : HNC, Certificate of Higher Education, Foundation Degree (FdSc, FdA, FdEng)		
	Grwp Llandrillo Menai location : Rhyl Qualifications : Certificate of Higher Education		
	Grwp Llandrillo Menai location : Dolgellau Qualifications : Foundation Degree (FdSc, FdA)		
	Grwp Llandrillo Menai location : Parc Menai Qualifications : Foundation Degree (FdA); First Degree (BA)		
Continuing full time level 5 students (2020/2021 entrants) £8,300	Grwp Llandrillo Menai location : Rhos-on-Sea Qualifications : Foundation Degree (FdSc, FdA, FdEng);		
	Grwp Llandrillo Menai location : Dolgellau		

	Qualifications: Foundation Degree (FdSc, FdA)
	Grwp Llandrillo Menai location : Parc Menai Qualifications : Foundation Degree (FdA); First Degree (BA)
	Grwp Llandrillo Menai location : Rhos-on-Sea Qualifications : First Degree (BSc, BA, BEng (L6 top up year)
Continuing full time level 6 students (2019/2020 entrants) £8,300	Grwp Llandrillo Menai location : Dolgellau Qualifications : First Degree (BA) (L6 top up year)
	Grwp Llandrillo Menai location : Parc Menai Qualifications : First Degree (BA)
New full time postgraduate students 2021-2022 £7,100	Grwp Llandrillo Menai location : Parc Menai Qualifications : Master of Arts (MA)

Annual fees may increase in line with inflation for all students beginning their studies in 2021/22. This policy has applied for all years from 2019/20 onwards. This will be the third year that fee levels have been frozen at £8,300.

Section 1.2 - Aggregate fee levels

Fees are accessible for students to see via the GLIM website on the course fees page, within the tuition fees policy and the published fee and access plan. This will be the third year that fee levels have been frozen at £8,300 since beginning in 2019/20. The aggregate fees statement on the course fees page still applies. Tuition fees on full-time degree courses are £8,300 for each year of study, an aggregate total of £24,900. The annual fees may increase in line with inflation (using the CPIH inflation rate of September the year prior as per the ONS website). Inflationary increases in fees will not result in the fee exceeding the maximum fee level prescribed in legislation (currently set at £9k per annum for Wales).