Equivalent or Lower Qualification Students and their Fee Supplements

Please note that from September 2016 entry, the University will no longer be charging a higher fee for ELQ students.

An ELQ is a student who is studying at a level of study that is equivalent to, or lower than, a qualification that they already hold regardless of the country of origin where the ELQ qualification was awarded.

This is a government scheme which came into force in 2008/09 following funding cuts to Higher Education Institutions for students undertaking an Equivalent or Lower Qualification.

The following ELQ supplements will be charged as part of the tuition fee where applicable for Postgraduate Taught students on top of the standard UK/EU fee rate for the student's course:

Price Group B: £2,600

Price Group C1: £1,350

Price Group C2: £1,100

Price Group D: £0 (no supplement)

<u>Price Group B includes:</u> All Engineering subjects, Physics, Chemistry, Biosciences & Medicine and the Advanced Gynaecological Endoscopy courses.

<u>Price Group C1 includes:</u> School of Arts, GSA and Computing. The Media Studies part of Sociology is also C1.

<u>Price Group C2 includes:</u> Psychology, Maths and Health Sciences, excluding the Advanced Gynaecological Endoscopy courses that are eligible under Price Group B. Also, the following courses in Hospitality & Tourism Management: Food Management and International Hotel Management; and the following courses in English & Languages: Translation Studies, Translation Studies with Intercultural Communication, Translation, Audiovisual Translation, Business Interpreting in Chinese & English and Business Translation & Interpreting.

<u>Price Group D includes:</u> Politics, Sociology, Law, Economics, and Surrey Business School. Also, the following courses in Hospitality & Tourism Management: International Events Management, Sustainable Tourism, Tourism Management, Tourism Development and Tourism Marketing; and the following courses in English & Languages: Communication & International Marketing, Creative Writing, English Literature and Intercultural Communication with International Business.

ELQ is not applicable for International students.

Students can be assessed as ELQ for data purposes but exempt from the supplement (Undergraduates on the £9000 fee regime, Undergraduate students funded by the NHS for Nursing, Midwifery programmes etc.)

The policy is reviewed annually.