

## Graduate Loyalty Discount – Additional Notes

A 20% fee discount for postgraduate-taught students, who are considered Falmouth Alumni, commencing their studies from September 2023.

### Definition of Alumni

For the purpose of the Graduate Loyalty Discount, qualifying alumni will be considered as those who either:

1. Completed a full undergraduate degree with either Falmouth University or Dartington College of Arts. Qualifying undergraduate courses can have been completed at any time, up to and including summer 2023.
2. Completed an undergraduate degree which was validated by Falmouth University, through one of the following partner organisations. Qualifying undergraduate courses can have been completed at any time, up to and including summer 2023.
3. Students who studied with the institutions (listed in 2 above) for any other qualification will not be considered. This includes students who (only) completed the Foundation Diploma; a Postgraduate qualification or undergraduate degree which was not validated by Falmouth University.

### Applicant criteria

For the purpose of the Graduate Loyalty Discount, applicants only qualify if they meet the following criteria:

- Only applicants who meet all the normal academic admissions criteria for the relevant full masters courses (MA/MSc) taught on campus at Falmouth University will be considered. This includes part-time on-campus courses and online courses through Falmouth Online or Falmouth Flexible.
- Applicants for short courses, the PGCHE, Launchpad or PhD/Research do not qualify. MArch Architecture and MA Prosthetic Effects courses are also excluded from this discount.
- Applicants who already hold a postgraduate qualification (from any institution) will not be considered.
- Only new entrants to postgraduate study will be considered. Currently enrolled or intermitting postgraduate students will not be considered. Alumni who have part completed a master's course at Falmouth University and are now withdrawn, will only be considered if no form of discount was applied to their previous course fees.
- Only students on the MArch Architecture who qualify for a PG Masters Loan will qualify for the Graduate Loyalty Discount. Those students who continue to qualify for undergraduate funding will not qualify for the discount.
- Applicants must commence their studies in academic year 2023/24.
- Applicants holding a deferred place from a previous academic year will not be considered for the discount in 2023/24.
- Applications who defer to the academic year 2024/25 will not be considered. Instead, for the purposes of this discount, they will be considered as 2024/25 entrants and will be

considered for any support that may be offered in that year.

- All student fee statuses will be considered (UK, EU and International).
- If a recipient fails to complete a full year of postgraduate study their discount eligibility is subject to review (see below).

#### **Discount amount and effect on fee liability**

- The discount is 20% off the full tuition fees due for a given student on a given course.
- The discount will be credited directly towards the recipient's tuition fee account after the remaining balance has been paid.
- The discount will be applied to the final fee instalment providing students are current and all fees are up to date., as per agreement with the Falmouth University Finance Team.

#### **Interruption to study**

- The discount may be withdrawn for those students who withdraw from their course mid-year. As such, they will be liable to pay the full rate of fees for the period attended, as per the Falmouth University Fees Policy.
- Students who intermit from their course mid-year will continue to qualify for the discount upon the resumption of their studies. If an intermitting student instead chooses to withdraw from their course, then the above point will be applied retrospectively.
- Students on part-time or online courses will have the discount applied proportionately, for each complete year of study. If intermission or withdrawal occurs in either year of study, the above points apply. If a student withdraws part way through the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of the course, the discount will be applied to the 1<sup>st</sup> year only. Students will be liable for the balance of fees, as per the Falmouth University Fees Policy.
- Applicants are still required to pay the full fee deposit upon application to the course, as instructed.

#### **Allocation and payment of the discount**

- Students only need to apply for the course. There is no separate application process for the Graduate Loyalty Discount.
- Qualifying students will be automatically identified by the Finance Team during the enrolment period and first few weeks of study.
- All applicants who qualify will receive the discount.
- Students will be notified of their eligibility for the discount within three weeks of enrolment. Students can then contact the Finance Team for further details regarding payment of the remaining fee amount.

#### **Further notes:**

- The Graduate Loyalty Discount is **only confirmed for 2023/24 and 2024/25** academic years.

#### **Further details available from:**

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