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INTERNATIONAL OFFICE

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT
FINANCE GUIDE
2026



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Your guide to applying to study as an international student

All international applicants are required to pay a non-refundable application fee of R500.00

Upon acceptance for admission:

- A non-refundable acceptance deposit of **R4000.00** is required to secure a place of study for international students. This amount will be posted to student fee account. Applicants that do not subsequently register will forfeit this deposit.
- Final date for Acceptance Deposits for your academic and residence to be confirmed prior to arrival is 30 November.

Nelson Mandela University does not extend standard down-payment options or local debt concessions to international students. All international students are required to clear 100% of their estimated annual tuition, international levies, and university accommodation fees prior to final registration clearance.

Funding & Payment Exceptions:

- **Sponsorship Letters:** A letter of authority on an official company letterhead is annually required prior to registration when a sponsor grants financial assistance in respect of student fees.

Please email: intfees@mandela.ac.za to obtain information on the sponsorship guidelines.

- **Postgraduate Bursaries:** International postgraduate students are eligible to apply for competitive research bursaries or external frameworks.

Please contact: rd@mandela.ac.za or visit the website [Postgraduate Student Funding](#) for more information.

- **No Undergraduate Aid:** Mandela University does not award Bursaries to Undergraduate international students. International students are encouraged to apply for bursaries from sources outside the Mandela University.



Yearly Study Fee Estimates

The tables below are only applicable to the **first-year study period** for international students.

Undergraduate Programmes (includes international levies)		
QUALIFICATION	*SADC	NON-SADC
Advanced Diploma	R41 850 - R44 470	R66 470 - R69 090
Diploma	R39 580 - R53 340	R64 200 - R77 960
Extended Diploma	R20 570 - R36 200	R45 190 - R60 820
Degree	R46 430 - R86 540	R71 050 - R111 160

Postgraduate Diploma / Certificate and Honours		
OFFERING TYPE	*SADC	NON-SADC
Part Time	R32 310 - R71 400	R56 930 - R96 020
Full Time	R30 290 - R66 510	R54 910 - R91 130

Masters and PHD	
OFFERING TYPE	NON-SADC
Part-Time/Full-Time	R36 220 - R99 360
MBA	R114 890

***SADC students:** Students from a country in the South African Development Community, namely Angola, Botswana, Congo, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mauritius, Mozambique, Namibia, Seychelles, Swaziland, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

Please note: Fees may vary depending on the composition of the qualification.

Qualification Fee Estimates

You can generate your fee estimation for undergraduate or postgraduate degrees, diplomas and certificates in our different faculties. [CLICK HERE](#) or scan the QR Code



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Send your generated fee estimate to intfees@mandela.ac.za so we can include the applicable international levies and/or accommodation fees.



Accommodation

International students are required to pay the full residence fees upfront prior to registration.

Residence Fees	
On-Campus : Sharing	R36 400 – R63 420
On Campus: Single	R41 100 – R69 360

In addition to residence fees for on-campus, a refundable breakage deposit of **R480 - R960** and non-refundable registration fee of **R410 per semester** is payable.

For off-campus accredited accommodation, please contact the Off Campus Housing office at:

Tel: +27 41 504 4736

Email: offcampusaccommodation@mandela.ac.za

Our Banking Details

Account Name:	Nelson Mandela University - Main
Bank Name:	Standard Bank
Bank Address:	Rink Street, Port Elizabeth, South Africa
Internet Banking Code:	051001
Account Number:	080263011
Bank Swift Code:	SBZA ZAJJ
Reference Number:	<i>[Your Student Number]</i>

Please email Proof of payment to: intfees@mandela.ac.za

Credit Card Payments:

Online payments may be made via the following secured link **ONLY** if you have applied to Nelson Mandela University via the online process that requires a student reference number.

[Click to pay via payment gateway](#) or scan the QR Code



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The full Nelson Mandela University Student account guide can be accessed via: [STUDENT ACCOUNTS GUIDE 2026 - Nelson Mandela University](#)

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