

Students from the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man

If you are in receipt of an award from your Island authority for higher education, you are treated differently (that is, not as a 'home' or 'overseas' fee payer). There is an agreement between the Island authorities and UK higher education institutions that the Island government will pay your fees at an agreed rate.

If you are self-financing, you will be assessed to see if you are a 'home' or an 'overseas' fee payer. If you are not ordinarily resident in the UK on the 'first day of the first academic year of the course' (because, for example, you have not yet moved there from the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man) you cannot meet the requirements for 'home' status even though you may be a British citizen.

In addition, if you moved to the UK for your course of study (or a course of study you finished immediately before it), you will be treated as being ordinarily resident in the Islands and you will therefore be unable to meet the requirements for 'home' status.

Those who are 'settled' in the UK and meet the main residence requirements

In order to qualify for 'home' fees you must meet all of the following criteria:

(a) you must be 'settled' in the UK on the 'first day of the first academic year of the course',
AND

(b) you must be 'ordinarily resident' in the UK on the 'first day of the first academic year of the course',
AND

(c) you must also have been 'ordinarily resident' in the UK and Islands (the Islands means the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man) for the full three year period before the 'first day of the first academic year of the course'. For example, if your course begins in October 2010, you must have been ordinarily resident in the UK and Islands from 1 September 2007 to 31 August 2010,
AND

(d) the main purpose for your residence in the UK and islands must not have been to receive full-time education during any part of that three-year period.

NOTE: It is not necessary to have had 'settled' immigration status in the UK for three years.