2027 FEES AND PAYMENT DATES

Please note that fees and payment requirements differ for local and international students. A further distinction is made between international students from the SADC region, international students from elsewhere in Africa, and international students from outside Africa.

The following information does not apply to students registering at the Graduate School of Business (GSB) in 2027. The GSB first payments and deadlines will be published in the 2027 Student Fees Handbook which will be available towards the end of 2026.

South African citizens and South African permanent residents

A first payment of fees (for tuition and residence) is due by **Friday 29 January 2027**. If payment is not received on or before the due date, a one-off late payment surcharge of 5% of the unpaid amount will be charged. You will be allowed to register if the first payment has not been received by the due date.

The amounts due are:

- Tuition cost first payment **R36,000** (or the full fee where this is lower than the first payment),

plus if applicable;

- Residence (catering) first payment **R47,000**, or
- Residence (self-catering) first payment **R31,000**

This is not the full cost. Final payment is due ***31 July 2027***.

International students from the SADC region

A first payment of fees (tuition and residence and the administrative service fee) is due before registration or by **Friday 29 January 2027,** whichever date is earlier. If payment is not received on or before the due date, a one-off late payment surcharge of 5% of the unpaid amount will be charged. Allow a minimum of 14 working days for the payment to reflect in UCT's bank account.

The amounts due are:

- Tuition cost first payment R36,000 (or the full fee where this is lower than the first payment), **plus**
- Non-refundable administrative service fee R5,800

plus if applicable

- Residence (catering) first payment **R47,000**, or
- Residence (self-catering) first payment **R31,000**

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International Students

International students must make a minimum first payment towards the tuition fees, international term fees and residence fees (where applicable), prior to registration or before **Friday 29 January 2027,** whichever date is earlier. If payment is not received on or before the due date, a one-off late payment surcharge of 5% of the unpaid amount will be charged. Allow a minimum of 14 working days for the payment to reflect in UCT's bank account.

Payment due prior to registration for:

- UCT full-time international fee-paying students (except Master's & PhD students): **R127,400**
- Master's full-time international students (Coursework & Dissertation): **R84,800**
- Master's full-time international students (Dissertation only): **Full local fees + R5,800** non-refundable international service fee
- PhD full-time international students: **Full local fees + R5,800** non-refundable international service fee

This is not the full cost. Final payment is due **31 July 2027.**

plus if applicable:

- Residence (catering) first payment **R47,000**, or
- Residence (self-catering) first payment **R31,000**

This is not the full residence cost. Final payment is due ***31 July 2027***.

Click here to go to the **UCT International** website or to view the Student fees handbook, go back to **Fees website**, and click on the link to the appropriate handbook.

***The University reserves the right to make amendments to the fees as required.**

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INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

2027 INITIAL / FIRST PAYMENTS AND DUE DATES

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A first payment of fees (towards tuition fee, international term fee if applicable, residence fee and the non-refundable administrative service fee) must be made prior to the academic registration or by **Friday 29th January 2027,** whichever date is earlier. Failure to submit payment by the due date will result in a one-off late payment fee of 5% of the unpaid amount. Allow at least 14 working days for payments to reflect in UCT's bank account. A fees clearance will only be provided once the payment is reflected in the UCT bank account and NOT upon the proof of payment submitted.

SADC Students

The first payment is due prior to academic registrations for:

- All degree programmes (except PhD)**: R41,800** (tuition cost R36,000 + non-refundable administrative service fee R5,800) or the entire fee, if less than the initial payment amount.

This is not the full cost for tuition. Outstanding fees are due by **31 July 2027.**

- PhD full-time international students: **full fees + R5,800 non-refundable administrative service fee**.

plus if applicable.

- Residence (catering) initial payment **R47,000**, or
- Residence (self-catering) initial payment **R31,000**

This is not the full residence cost. Outstanding fees are due by **31 July 2027.**

Non-SADC International Students

First payment due prior to academic registration for:

- UCT full-time international fee-paying students (except Research Master's & PhD students): **R127,400**
- Master's full-time students (coursework & dissertation qualification, each year of registration): **R84,800**

This is not the full cost. Outstanding fees are due by **31 July 2027.**

- Degree by Research Master's (research qualifications only) - full-time international students: **full fees + R5,800 non-refundable administrative service fee**
- PhD full-time international students: **Full fees + R5,800 non-refundable administrative service fee**.

plus if applicable.

- Residence (catering) initial payment **R47,000**, or
- Residence (self-catering) initial payment **R31,000**

This is not the full residence cost. Outstanding fees are due by **31 July 2027.**

Click here for **payment methods** and visit **student fees handbook** for fee information.

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