

## Guide to Year 1 Fees and Charges

Irish/EU Students 2026/2027

### Free Fees Initiative

The BBS (GY261) and the BComm (GY262) are included under the Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science “Free Fees Initiative”. If you are unsure of your fee status and your eligibility for Free Fees, please refer to the University of Galway website; <http://www.universityofgalway.ie/student-fees/undergraduate-information/>

College Charges		
Student Contribution	€2500	A Student Contribution charge is payable at the beginning of each of the first four years. The charge is set down by the Department and may change from year to year. on family's This charge can be paid in two instalments. The Student Contribution is paid by SUSI ( <a href="http://www.susi.ie">www.susi.ie</a> ) for eligible students.
Student Levy	€140	A student levy is payable by all students at the beginning of each of the first four years of their degree. In 2025/2026 the student levy was €140.
Meal Charge	€200	Currently year 1 students are provided with lunch on Wednesday and Thursday during the 10 weeks of practical training (total of 20 meals). Each lunch is a three-course meal. This is a compulsory charge for Year 1 students only.

Other Expenses (paid upon enrolment)		
Accommodation	€3,440	The college's provider of student accommodation is 'Rent an Irish Cottage' Castlegardens, Bunratty Village. The cost of accommodation for 2025/26 was €95 per week for a Twin Room (36 weeks x €95 Twin Rooms). (Please note number of weeks may change).
Uniforms	€685	Includes college business suit, restaurant uniform, chef uniform, kitchen knives and kitchen safety shoes. (2025/2026 price)
Books	€200	Students will have to buy mandatory textbooks for Year 1. Students may be able to buy these books second hand which would help to reduce the cost.
Utilities charge & security deposit	€800	A utilities deposit of €500 is payable prior to arrival and will be offset against the utility bills, student also pay a security deposit of €300 (2025/2026 rate)
Bus	€450	A bus to college each morning is provided subject to uptake: Semester fee €450 on way (2025/2026 rates).