

Student Services and Amenities Fee (SSAF)

The Student Services and Amenities Fees (SSAF) was established in 2011 via the Student Services and Amenities Act 2011 as an amendment to the Higher Education Support (HESA) Act 2003.

All students commencing from 2023, Trimester 1 are required to pay SSAF.

The fee is compulsory and supports non-academic student services such as counselling, wellbeing, career advice and library materials made available to the entire student population. All students must pay the fee even if they do not use the services.

The 2022 maximum annual charge is \$315.00. Macleay College has decided not to rise the fee for 2023.

2023 SSAF Fees*

Full-time students: AUD \$105 Per Trimester

Part-time students: AUD \$78.75 Per Trimester

*Students studying online are also required to pay SSAF. Macleay College reserves the right to vary the SSAF amount at any time during enrolment in line with relevant legislation.

Eligible students can use an [SA-HELP](#) loan to pay their SSAF fee.

SSAF Charge Dates

YEAR	TERM	CHARGE DATE
2023	Trimester 1	17 March
	Trimester 2	30 June
	Trimester 3	13 October
2024	Trimester 1	15 March
	Trimester 2	28 June
	Trimester 3	11 October
2025	Trimester 1	14 March
	Trimester 2	27 June
	Trimester 3	10 October

Important:

The charge date is the date when the debit is incurred. Under HESA, SA-HELP cannot be reversed once the charge date has passed. The College will not refund the amount after the charge date, even when a student meets the criteria for a refund due to compassionate or compelling circumstances.

SSAF FAQs

I'm using FEE-HELP, do I have to pay SSAF?

The Student Services Amenities Fee (SSAF) is not covered by FEE-HELP.

FEE-HELP students have two options:

1. Pay the fee upfront each trimester
2. If eligible, apply for an SA-HELP loan to defer your SSAF for each trimester before the charge date for the teaching period. Please note that the charge date is the deadline for paying or deferring your SSAF contribution.

How do I apply for SA-HELP?

Check [here](#) to see if you are eligible for an SA-HELP loan.

I've applied for an SA-HELP loan, do I have to reapply every trimester?

If you do not change your course of study, you will not need to apply for an SA-HELP loan again.

Once you have successfully applied for SA-HELP for your current course of study, your SSAF will be deferred to your SA-HELP loan after the charge date for each trimester for the duration of your course of study.

Why is there a Charge Date and a Payment Due Date? Why are they different?

The [charge date](#) is the last day to make an upfront payment or apply for an SA-HELP loan. Once the deadline has passed, the College cannot accept SA-HELP loan applications, and your SSAF contribution will become overdue. If you apply for an SA-HELP loan after the census date, payments will not be made until after the charge date for the next trimester.

The College purposely sets the payment due date for each trimester earlier so students know the charge date and have time to make an upfront payment or apply for an SA-HELP loan, if eligible.

Paying or applying for a loan by the due date ensures payment will be made on time.

SSAF Obligation

Course of Study	Fee / Funding Type	SSAF Payable?
Bachelor of Business	FEE-HELP	Yes
	Domestic Fee-Paying	Yes
	International Fee-Paying	Yes
Bachelor of Business (Accounting)	FEE-HELP	Yes
	Domestic Fee-Paying	Yes
	International Fee-Paying	Yes
Bachelor of Communications & Media	FEE-HELP	Yes
	Domestic Fee-Paying	Yes
	International Fee-Paying	Yes