



Key terms of your contract with the Weymouth College

You are enrolled as a Student with Weymouth College. This summary highlights key terms of your contract with the College and is for guidance only.

You should read the full terms of that contract, as set out in the Student Contract document and the documents referred to in it (such as the student handbook) which are available on the websites of the College. Your contract with the College will be legally binding when it takes effect and it will govern your relationship with them. If there is anything that you are unsure of, you should contact the College.

1. **When does the contract take effect?**

If you have applied directly to the College, the date when your contract with the College takes effect will be determined in accordance with your offer letter, once you accept that offer.

If you have applied via UCAS, the contract will take effect when you accept the College's offer as a "Firm Choice" or when your "Insurance Choice" becomes your "Firm Choice" (because, for example, you do not meet the entry requirements for your "Firm Choice").

2. **What makes up my contract with the College and the University?**

Your contract with the College is made up of the "Student Contract" document and the documents referred to in it, including any specific requirements in your offer from the College, any entry and attendance requirements, regulations, policies and procedures (including the student handbook), and any requirements notified to you by the College. This is not an exhaustive list. Your contract may also be subject to other agreements, rules or regulations between you and the College which relate to your studies.

Your contract with the College is separate from any agreements which do not relate to your studies, such as agreements concerning accommodation.

3. **What happens if I do not pay my tuition fees or if I do not pay on time?**

If you do not pay your tuition fees on time, the College may appoint a debt collection agency to recover the outstanding amounts from you. You will also be prevented from re-enrolling onto a programme. Please refer to the student debt section contained within the Fees Policy on the College's website, which will apply in any case of outstanding debt.

Please see the Student Contract document for further information.

4. Is it possible for me to cancel my contract with the College if I change my mind?

Yes. You have a legal right to cancel your contract with the College within 14 days of that contract coming into effect. You must notify the College of your decision to cancel the contract (please see paragraph 16 of the Student Contract document for further information). If you choose to exercise this right, any tuition fees you have paid will be refunded to you in full.

In addition, you can withdraw from your programme at any point. You may be entitled to a refund of the tuition fees that you have paid to the College at the point of withdrawal (or a proportion of those fees). The amount to be refunded will be determined in accordance with the Fees policy of the College in force from time to time (as detailed on the College's website).

5. Can the College terminate its contract with me?

Yes, in limited circumstances: for example, where you are withdrawn from the College for any reason; or you fail to pay any outstanding tuition fees; or if your immigration status changes and you are no longer eligible to study at the College; or if your application to the College contains any false or misleading information or omissions. The College will notify you in writing of a decision to terminate the contract and explain the reasons.

6. Will I own any intellectual property rights that I create?

The general principle is that students who are not employed by the College will own any intellectual property they create during the course of their studies or research activities..

7. What arrangements do I need to make prior to enrolment?

You should arrange accommodation as necessary for the duration of your studies and adequate funding for all of your tuition fees, any additional costs for your programme and your living costs. We strongly recommend that you obtain insurance to protect your personal belongings.

If you are an international student, then you must ensure that you have satisfied any visa and immigration requirements. Your contract with the College is subject to these arrangements and if your immigration status should change, the College may decide to terminate the contract.

8. How will my personal information be used?

The College will hold and process your personal data in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998. This will apply from the time of your application until after you have left the College. The College will use the information to provide you with services and to operate their day-to-day functions.

In certain circumstances, the College may disclose your personal data to other organisations. This will be done in accordance with the terms of your contract with them.

9. Where can I find information on health and safety during my time at College?

You will be able to find health and safety information on the College's website. If you have any queries in relation to your health, safety or well-being, you should contact the College.

10. What can the College be liable to me for?

The College will be liable to you for any loss or damages which are a foreseeable result of the College's breach of contract or failure to use reasonable skill and care.

The College will not be liable for any failure to comply with the terms of its contract with you which is caused by events outside its control (which may include a lack of key personnel or industrial action taking place).

The College will not be liable for the actions of any third parties (including the Students' Union or placement providers), except where they are liable by law.

11. How can I make a complaint?

If you are unhappy with any aspect of your studies or the services provided by the College you need to make a complaint for any other reason, please read the College's Student Complaints Procedure (available on the website) for further details. You can also contact the College direct.

Any appeal on an academic matter should be made to the College in accordance with its academic regulations and appeals procedures in force from time to time.