

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION, SPORT AND CULTURE
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 1st DECEMBER 2015**

Question

In the answer to written question 1240/5(9062) tabled on 17th November 2015 the Minister referred to Highlands funding degree courses. Will the Minister set out the cost to Highlands of running those courses and detail the amount of money received via the higher education grants system?

Answer

The total cost of running higher education courses at Highlands College was £900,000 for the academic year 2014-15. This includes full-time and part-time lecturing costs, university exam charges and teaching materials.

Highlands received £491,000 from Student Finance for the academic year 2014-15. This related to tuition fees for 101 students. This, plus the fees received directly from other students, covers the direct costs of running higher education courses at Highlands. Overall, it is effectively cost-neutral to the college.