

M.Litt Tuition Reimbursement Policy

The Davenant Institute desires that our Masters in Protestant Letters be a degree which is excellent. To that end we ensure that our courses are taught by top scholars who have advanced qualifications and are experts not only in their field but also in the classroom as teachers. Another aspect of higher education that we hope to reform is the cost. Part of being excellent is *freeing* students. While this is at the root of why we offer a liberal education it also needs to be reflected in our budget. Therefore not only is the Davenant Institute committed to keeping costs accessible to every student, we also make the following commitment. Any student who successfully completes the M.Litt and then goes on to finish a PhD in an approved program will, upon successful completion of their PhD, receive a reimbursement of all tuition paid for the M.Litt.¹ To qualify for this reimbursement the following must be true:

- Student took the full course load for the M Litt
- Student did not come in with transfer credits or advanced standing
- Student did not receive a scholarship from the Institute
- Student notified the office of the Provost at Davenant Hall about their PhD program at date of acceptance into the program, in writing (email applies)
- Student got a response from the Provost at date of acceptance that their chosen course of study is an “approved program,” in writing (email applies)
- Student has official transcripts sent to the Davenant Institute from completed PhD as proof of the completion, and a hard copy of the dissertation has been sent to Davenant House
- Student must complete their PhD program within ten years of the date of graduation from Davenant Hall

Guidelines for an Approved Program is a PhD in Philosophy, Theology, History or similar degree from a reputable program. We reserve the right for the Provost to execute judgement as to whether any given program is approved. We recommend you correspond closely with Davenant Hall fellows and officers as you engage in the process of pursuing a further course of study for advice and guidance. Generally speaking, we recommend that you aim for a place at least in the top 100 QS Rankings in the specific discipline you are pursuing.² Such a program is highly likely to be considered a “qualified program”.

Our goal in all this is to enable and encourage as many students as possible to gain Christian Wisdom and complete their education to advance and renew the academy and the Church to the glory of God.

¹ Note that the reimbursement will be capped at the value of full-time tuition for the entire degree, including room and board for residential courses (currently: \$7,900 in total at time of writing). Students who pay more for enrolling at a part-time rate will not be able to be reimbursed for the additional cost of this part-time rate.

² For example see the rankings in [Theology](#), [Philosophy](#), and [History](#) here.