

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE 19 YEARS AND ABOVE

If you're aged 19 or over, on a further education course and facing financial hardship, you may be entitled to Discretionary Learner Support If your household income is less than £26,000 per year.

The money can help pay for things like:

- Meals
- Travel (based on individual circumstances and travel distance of over 2 miles)
- Exam /UCAS/Accreditation Fees
- Interviews, trips, books, uniform and equipment
- DBS (fully funded courses only)
- Childcare (You must be 20 or over to get help with childcare costs. If you're 19, apply for Care to Learn instead)
- Tuition Fees (exceptional circumstances only)
- Other hardship costs that are impacting on your learning and ability to achieve your qualification.

To be eligible you must:

- Be classed as a "Home Student", have been a resident in the UK/EU for more than 3 years
- Not be repeating the same course or a course at the same or lower level

**Please note: You need to be fully enrolled to be able to claim a financial assistance award and must have a minimum of 85% attendance in order to receive payment.**