

ADVANCED LEARNER LOANS

An Advanced Learner Loan helps with the costs of further education courses.

If you are aged 19 and over and studying a further education course at Levels 3, 4, 5 or 6 at college you can apply for an Advanced Learner Loan.

The Advanced Learner loan, plus any interest, must be paid back but not until the learner has finished or left their course and their income is over the repayment threshold.

It is important you consider your financial circumstances and investigate all options for paying for your course before choosing to take out a loan.

You will be responsible for paying your course fees if your Advanced Learner Loan application is not approved.

Eligibility for the loan doesn't depend on your income and there's no credit checks. Interest is charged from the date the first payment is made to the college.

To be eligible, you must be:

- Aged 19 or over on the first day of your course (there is no upper age limit)
- Enrolling on a full Level 3 to Level 6 Further Education funded course.
- Meet the Student Loans Company's nationality and residency rules.

How is the loan paid?

If you choose to take out a loan, the Student Loans Company (SLC) will pay your agreed tuition fees to the college once your attendance on the course has been confirmed.

