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Many people aged 19 and over qualify for **FREE** or reduced price course fees, subject to your circumstances and household income.



Part Time Course Guide 2021-2022

Our mission statement is 'creating outstanding futures' and, at East Durham College, this is what we aim to do for all our students. We are focused on helping you develop your skills to open up new opportunities and ensure you have a brighter future.

If you are looking for a change in career, to gain further qualifications or enhance existing skills, then EDC has something for you.

- Are you looking to move onwards and upwards in your career?
- Do you want to totally retrain?
- Are you looking for a new full-time job?
- Do you want to get into university?
- Do you want to develop new skills?

East Durham College can help you succeed - helping you get where you want to be.

Course fees explained

Courses where the price is shown in green are Full Level 3 Courses therefore fee remission may be available.

You will NOT need to pay any course/exam fees if you are aged 19 or over and are unemployed or employed and earning less than £17,374.50 a year at the start of the course AND you do not already hold a full Level 3 qualification. If you do earn more than £17,374.50 a year or already hold a full level 3 qualification you can apply for an Advanced Learner Loan to pay for the fees (subject to eligibility criteria).

Courses where the price is shown in lilac are Full Level 2 Courses therefore fee remission may be available.

You will NOT need to pay any course/exam fees if you are aged 19 or over and are unemployed or employed and earning less than £17,374.50 a year at the start of the course AND you do not already hold a full Level 2 qualification. Advanced Learner Loans are NOT available on Level 2 Courses.

Courses where the price is shown in blue indicate that the tuition fee can be paid via an Advanced Learner Loan if you are aged 19 or over on the day the course starts (subject to eligibility criteria).

Qualifications where the price is shown in orange are offered by East Durham College working in partnership with the University of Sunderland. The award that you will receive will be from the University of Sunderland. You can pay for these fees by taking out a Tuition Fee Loan (subject to eligibility criteria). Please contact the University of Sunderland for more details.

Courses where the price is shown in red are Co-Funded. ***You will NOT need to pay any course/exam fees** if you are aged 19 or over and are unemployed or employed and earning less than £17,374.50 a year at the start of the course and you do not already hold a full level 2 qualification. ****You will not need to pay any course/exam fees** if you are aged 19 or over and already hold a full level 2 qualification and are either unemployed or employed and earning less than £17,374.50 a year at the start of the course. Advanced Learner Loans are NOT available on these courses.

Do you hold a full level 2 or 3?

There are a number of qualifications that are classed as full level 2. Some examples are: five or more GCSEs at grade 4(C) or better, a NVQ Level 2, a QCF Certificate or Diploma Level 2.

There are a number of qualifications that are classed as full level 3. Some examples are: two or more A-levels, a NVQ level 3, a QCF Certificate or Diploma Level 3, a QAA Access to HE.

Please speak to Student Services for more details and to check your eligibility.

Lifelong learning makes a difference
School of Medicine, Pharmacy & Health

Pictured: Natasha King, After enrolling on our Access to HE programme, Natasha King went on to study medicine at Durham University and is now working as a Junior Doctor in the North East.

Part Time Enrolment Events

We will be holding special information and enrolment events for our part time courses at:

Houghall Campus

**Wednesday 1st September,
5pm - 7pm**

Peterlee Campus

**Thursday 2nd September,
5pm - 7pm**

The information in this guide is, as far as possible, accurate at the time of publication, but is subject to change for unforeseen reasons at the College's absolute discretion. East Durham College reserves the right to amend, withdraw, cancel, alter or amalgamate any or part of the programme. All courses run subject to the enrolment of minimum numbers.



	LEVEL	DAY(S)	TIME(S)	START DATE(S)	END DATE(S)	CODE	TUITION FEES	EXAM/ REG FEE	LOAN AVAILABLE
Access to Higher Education (Peterlee Campus)									
Ascentis Access to HE Diploma - Education Professions	3	Tuesday & Thursday	18:00-21:00	07/09/21	30/06/22	ACEDDIL3P102	£3,194/FREE*	£190	Y
Ascentis Access to HE Diploma - Humanities	3	Tuesday & Thursday	18:00-21:00	07/09/21	30/06/22	ACHUDIL3P102	£2,832/FREE*	£190	Y
Ascentis Access to HE Diploma - Nursing & Midwifery	3	Tuesday & Wednesday	09:00-12:00 & 13:00-16:00	07/09/21	30/06/22	ACNUDIL3P101	£3,194/FREE*	£190	Y
		Tuesday & Thursday	18:00-21:00						
Ascentis Access to HE Diploma - Science	3	Tuesday & Thursday	18:00-21:00	07/09/21	30/06/22	ACSCDIL3P102	£3,194/FREE*	£190	Y
Accountancy (Peterlee Campus)									
AAT Foundation Certificate in Accounting (Daytime)	2	Wednesday	09:30-16:15	15/09/21	06/07/22	AATXCEL2P102	£632.50/FREE**	£215	
AAT Foundation Certificate in Accounting (Evening)	2	Wednesday	17:00-21:00	15/09/21	06/07/22	AATXCEL2P101	£632.50/FREE**	£215	
AAT Advanced Diploma in Accounting	3	Thursday	09:30-16:15	16/09/21	07/07/22	AATXDIL3P102	£2,341/FREE*	£232	Y
Animal Husbandry (Houghall Campus)									
Level 1 Introduction to Exotic Animal Husbandry (College Certificate) September Start	1	Thursday	18:00-21:00	23/09/21	07/10/21	ANIMNRL1P101	£43	Free	
Level 1 Introduction to Exotic Animal Husbandry (College Certificate) January Start	1	Thursday	18:00-21:00	20/01/22	03/02/22	ANIMNRL1P102	£43	Free	
Catering & Hospitality (Peterlee Campus)									
Professional Cookery NVQ	2	Thursday	16:00-21:00	09/09/21	30/06/22	COOKDIL2P103	£1,672.50/FREE††	£76	
Professional Cookery NVQ	3	Thursday	16:00-21:00	09/09/21	30/06/22	COOKDIL3P101	£3,257***	£88	Y
Indian Cookery	2	Wednesday	17:00-21:00	15/09/21	06/10/21	INDINRL2P101	£65	N/A	
Italian Cookery	2	Wednesday	17:00-21:00	10/11/21	01/12/21	ITALNRL2P101	£65	N/A	
Vegetarian Cookery	2	Wednesday	17:00-21:00	19/01/22	09/02/22	VEGANRL2P101	£65	N/A	
Dinner Party Dishes	2	Wednesday	17:00-21:00	09/03/22	30/03/22	DINNRL2P101	£65	N/A	
Distance Learning (Study from home using workbooks or online)									
NCFE CACHE Certificate in Falls Prevention Awareness	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		FALLCEL2P101	Free	N/A	
NCFE CACHE Certificate in Understanding Behaviour that Challenges	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		BEHACEL2P101	Free	N/A	
NCFE CACHE Certificate in Understanding Safeguarding & Prevent	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		SAFECEL2P101	Free	N/A	
NCFE CACHE Certificate in Understanding Specific Learning Difficulties	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		DIFFCEL2P101	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Common Health Conditions	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		HEALCEL2P101	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Counselling Skills	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		COUNCEL2P102	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Customer Service for Health & Social Care Settings	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		CUSTCEL2P197	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Equality & Diversity	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		EQUACEL2T101	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Information, Advice and Guidance	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		ADVICEL2P101	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Introducing Caring for Children & Young People	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		CHILCEL2P102	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Lean Organisation Management Technique	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		LEANCEL2P101	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Mental Health Awareness	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		MENTCEL2P101	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Nutrition and Health	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		NUTRCEL2P101	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate In Principles of Business Administration	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		BUSICEL2P101	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Principles of Care Planning	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		CARECEL2P104	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Principles of Customer Service	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		CUSTCEL2P198	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Principles of Cyber Security	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		CYBECEL2P102	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Principles of Dementia Care	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		DEMECEL2P101	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Principles of End of Life Care	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		ENDOCEL2P103	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Principles of the Prevention and Control of Infection in Health Care Settings	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		INFECCEL2P102	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Principles of Working with Individuals with Learning Disabilities	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		DISACEL2P101	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Principles Team Leading	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		TEAMCEL2P102	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Understanding Autism	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		AUTICEL2P101	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Understanding Children and Young People's Mental Health	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		MENTCEL2P102	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Understanding Common Childhood Illnesses	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		ILLNCEL2P102	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Understanding Dignity and Safeguarding in Adult Health & Social Care	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		DIGNCEL2P101	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Understanding the Care & Management of Diabetes	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		DIABCEL2P101	Free	N/A	
NCFE Certificate in Understanding the Safe Handling of Medicines	2	Distance Learning		Sign up available throughout the year		MEDICEL2P101	Free	N/A	

NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Preparing to Work in Adult Social Care	2	Distance Learning	Sign up available throughout the year	NEEDCEL2P101	Free	N/A			
Level 3 NCFE CACHE Certificate in Care & Management of Diabetes	3	Distance Learning	Sign up available throughout the year	DIABCEL3P101	Free	N/A			
Level 3 NCFE CACHE Certificate in Principles of Dementia Care	3	Distance Learning	Sign up available throughout the year	DEMECEL3P101	Free	N/A			
Level 3 NCFE CACHE Certificate in Principles of End of Life Care	3	Distance Learning	Sign up available throughout the year	ENDOCEL3P101	Free	N/A			
Level 3 NCFE CACHE Certificate in Understanding Autism	3	Distance Learning	Sign up available throughout the year	AUTICEL3P101	Free	N/A			
Level 3 NCFE CACHE Certificate in Understanding Mental Health	3	Distance Learning	Sign up available throughout the year	MENTCEL3P101	Free	N/A			
Dog Grooming (Houghall Campus)									
Foundation Dog Grooming - College Certificate	N/A	Various times/days	3 hours/week	Aug, Nov, Jan or Mar	8 weeks	DOGXCXXE114	£400	N/A	
Level 2 Certificate for Dog Grooming Assistants	2	Various times/days	9 hours/week	Sept or Feb	20 weeks	DOGGCEL2P101	£623/FREE**	£84	
Level 1 Introduction to Dog Ownership & Care (College Certificate) November Start	1	Wednesday	18:00-21:00	03/11/21	24/11/21	DOGGNRL1P102	£86	Free	
Level 1 Introduction to Dog Ownership & Care (College Certificate) January Start	1	Friday	18:00-21:00	07/01/22	10/02/22	DOGGNRL1P103	£86	Free	
Level 1 Introduction to Dog Behaviour	1	Thursday	18:00-21:00	04/11/21	16/12/21	DOGGNRL1P101	£129	Free	
Engineering (The Technical Academy)									
EAL Level 1 Award in Introductory Metal Inert Gas Welding Skills (October Start)	1	Monday	09:00-16:00	11/10/21	06/12/21	WELDAWL1P101	£195	£76	
EAL Level 1 Award in Introductory Metal Inert Gas Welding Skills (January Start)	1	Monday	09:00-16:00	17/01/22	14/02/22	WELDAWL1P102	£195	£76	
EAL Level 1 Award in Introductory Metal Inert Gas Welding Skills (April Start)	1	Monday	09:00-16:00	11/04/22	06/05/22	WELDAWL1P103	£195	£76	
Equestrian (Houghall Campus)									
Level 1 Basic Horse Care Award (College Certificate) September Start	1	Monday	17:30-20:30	20/09/21	08/11/21	HORSNRL1P101	£129	N/A	
Level 1 Basic Horse Care Award (College Certificate) January Start	1	Monday	17:30-20:30	17/01/22	07/03/22	HORSNRL1P102	£129	N/A	
Floristry (Houghall Campus)									
NCFE Award in Creative Craft (Floristry) September Start	1	Various days	Various times	W/c 13/09/21	15 weeks	FLORCEL1P105	£293/FREE†	£54	
NCFE Award in Creative Craft (Floristry) February Start	1	Various days	Various times	W/c 07/02/22	15 weeks	FLORCEL1P107	£293/FREE†	£54	
NCFE Level 2 Award in Creative Crafts (Floristry) September Start	2	Various days	Various times	W/c 13/09/21	15 weeks	Various	£293/FREE**	£54	
NCFE Level 2 Award in Creative Crafts (Floristry) February Start	2	Various days	Various times	W/c 07/02/22	15 weeks	Various	£293/FREE**	£54	
C&G Technical Certificate in Floristry	2	Thursday	Full day	09/09/21	30/06/22	FLORTCL2P102	£1,709/FREE**	£135	
C&G Advanced Technical Diploma in Floristry (Year 1 of 2)	3	Wednesday	Full day	08/09/21	29/06/22	FLORTDL3P101	£4,270/FREE*	£155	Y
Floristry Summer Schools, Various Courses, Topics & Workshops	N/A	Various times/days	Full days	From June '22	To August '22	Various	From £95	N/A	
Functional Skills in Maths & English (Peterlee Campus)									
English (Evening)	N/A	Wednesday	18:00-20:00	28/09/21	10/06/22	FSENGLHOLDWG	FREE	FREE	
Maths (Evening)	N/A	Tuesday or Wednesday	18:00-20:00	27/09/21	10/06/22	FSMATHHOLDWG	FREE	FREE	
English Skills Workshop	N/A	Various days	Various times	27/09/21	10/06/22	FSENGLHOLDWG	FREE	FREE	
Maths Skills Workshop	N/A	Various days	Various times	27/09/21	10/06/22	FSMATHHOLDWG	FREE	FREE	
Functional Skills Maths - L1/L2 Distance Learning	N/A	Flexible		Start dates throughout the year		FSMATHDLHOLD	FREE	FREE	
Functional Skills English - L1/L2 Distance Learning	N/A	Flexible		Start dates throughout the year		FSENGLDLHOLD	FREE	FREE	
Skills Booster - Maths	N/A	Various days	Various times	27/09/21	10/06/22	RARPA	FREE	N/A	
Skills Booster - English	N/A	Various days	Various times	27/09/21	10/06/22	RARPA	FREE	N/A	
Essential Digital Skills	EL1	Wednesday	10:30-12:00 or 18:00-19:30	28/09/21	10/06/22	ESSENDIE3P101	FREE	FREE	
Essential Digital Skills	1	Wednesday	10:30-12:00 or 18:00-19:30	28/09/21	10/06/22	ESSENDIL1P101	FREE	FREE	
GCSEs in Maths & English (Peterlee Campus)									
English GCSE (Evening)	2	Wednesday	18:00-20:30	30/09/21	08/06/22	ENGLGCL2P103	FREE	FREE	
English GCSE (Daytime)	2	Thursday	13:00-15:30	01/10/21	09/06/22	ENGLGCL2P103	FREE	FREE	
English GCSE (Evening) Fast Track (Jan 2021)	2	Wednesday	18:00-20:30	06/01/22	08/06/22	ENGLGCL2P112	FREE	FREE	
Maths GCSE (Evening)	2	Tuesday	18:00-20:30	28/09/21	07/06/22	MATHGCL2P103	FREE	FREE	
Maths GCSE (Evening)	2	Wednesday	18:00-20:30	29/09/21	08/06/22	MATHGCL2P103	FREE	FREE	
Maths GCSE (Daytime)	2	Tuesday	13:00-15:30	28/09/21	07/06/22	MATHGCL2P103	FREE	FREE	
Maths GCSE (Evening) Fast Track (Jan 2021)	2	Wednesday	18:00-20:30	06/01/22	08/06/22	MATHGCL2P112	FREE	FREE	

* Full level 3 fee remission available for learners aged 19-23 on the day they start the course or pay tuition fee via the Advanced Learner Loan if aged 19 or over on the day learner starts the course. ** Full level 2 fee remission available for learners aged 19 - 23 on the day they start the course. *** Tuition fee via Advanced Learner Loan if learner aged 19 or over on the day the course starts. † You will not need to pay any course/exam fees if you are aged 19 or over and are unemployed or employed and earning less than £17,374.50 a year at the start of the course and you do not already hold a full level 2 qualification. †† You will not need to pay any course/exam fees if you are aged 19 or over and already hold a full level 2 qualification and are either unemployed or employed and earning less than £17,374.50 a year at the start of the course. § Must be aged between 16-24 and not in employment or training.

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Hair, Barbering & Beauty (Peterlee Campus)									
Barbering Diploma	2	Wednesday or Thursday	10:00-15:30 12.30-20:00	08/09/21 09/09/21	26/06/22 27/06/22	BARBDILP101	£1,672.50**	£110	
Barbering Advanced Technical Diploma	3	Tuesday	12:30-20:00	07/09/21	25/06/22	BARBDL3P103	£3,235.00*	£110	Y
VTCT Level 2 Certificate in Nail Technology September Start	2	Wednesday	17:00-21:00	08/09/21	26/01/22	NAILCEL2P101	£470.50**	£67	
VTCT Level 2 Certificate in Nail Technology February Start	2	Wednesday	17:00-21:00	02/02/22	29/06/22	NAILCEL2P102	£470.50**	£67	
VTCT Diploma in Nail Technology Studies September Start	3	Monday	09:30-18:00	06/09/21	24/01/22	NAILDIL3P101	£2,474.00*	£109	Y
VTCT Diploma in Nail Technology Studies January Start	3	Monday	09:30-18:00	31/01/22	27/06/22	NAILDIL3P102	£2,474.00*	£109	Y
Short Back & Sides	N/A	Monday	09:00-13:00	13/09/21	04/10/21	BARBNRL2P102	£65	N/A	
Evening Elegance	N/A	Tuesday	14:00-18:00	14/09/21	05/10/21	ELEGNRL2P101	£65	N/A	
Fading & Blending	N/A	Monday	09:00-13:00	08/11/21	29/11/21	BARBNRL2P103	£65	N/A	
Skin Tanning	N/A	Wednesday	Full day	10/11/21	10/11/21	TANNNRL2P101	£65	N/A	
Lashes & Brows	N/A	Wednesday	Full day	30/03/22	30/03/22	LASHNRL2P101	£65	N/A	
Health & Care (Peterlee Campus)									
CACHE Level 2 Certificate in Supporting Teaching & Learning	2	Tuesday	17:00-21:00	14/09/21	07/06/22	STLSCEL2P104	£708.50/FREE††	£116	
CACHE Level 3 Certificate in Supporting Teaching & Learning	3	Tuesday	17:00-21:00	14/09/21	07/06/22	STLSCEL3P104	£1,292***	£125	Y
NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Counselling Skills September Start	2	Tuesday	18:00-21:00	07/09/21	14/12/21	COUNCEL2P101	£405.50/FREE††	£61	
NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Counselling Skills January Start	2	Wednesday	18:00-21:00	12/01/22	04/05/22	COUNCEL2P103	£405.50/FREE††	£61	
NCFE Level 3 Counselling September Start	3	Wednesday	17:45-21:00	08/09/21	09/03/22	COUNCIL3P101	£825***	£125	Y
NCFE Level 3 Counselling January Start	3	Tuesday	17:45-21:00	11/01/22	05/07/22	COUNCIL3P102	£825***	£125	Y
Foundation Degree (FdA) in Counselling (Year 1)	HE	Tuesday	09:30-17:00	07/09/21	07/06/22	COUNFDL5H101	£5,500	N/A	Y
Foundation Degree (FdA) in Counselling (Year 2)	HE	Tuesday	09:30-17:00	07/09/21	07/06/22	COUNFDL5H201	£5,500	N/A	Y
Foundation Degree (FdA) in Health and Social Care (Year 1 of 2)	HE	Wednesday & Thursday	09:30-17:00	22/09/21	01/07/22	CAREFDL5H102	£8,750	N/A	Y
Photography & Creative Industries (Peterlee Campus)									
NCFE Level 2 Certificate in Photography	2	Tuesday	17:30-20:30	07/09/21	10/05/22	PHOTCEL2P101	£405.50/FREE††	£60	
Sport (Peterlee Campus)									
Level 2 Certificate in Fitness Instructing	2	Tuesday & Thursday	17:30-20:30	07/09/21	06/01/22	INSTCEL2P102	£405.50/FREE††	£100	
YMCA Award in Instructing Group Circuit Training	2	Tuesday & Thursday	17:30-20:30	01/03/22	19/05/22	CIRCAWL2P102	£168/FREE††	£30	
Foundation Degree (FdSC) in Sports Coaching (Year 1 of 2)	HE	Monday - Friday	Various	20/09/21	09/06/22	SPORFDL5H101	£8,750	N/A	Y
Teacher Training (Peterlee Campus)									
Award in Education & Training (12 credits - Preparatory course)	3	Wednesday	17:30-20:30	19/01/22	12/05/22	EDUCAWL3P102	£390	£60	
C&G Award in Assessing Competence in the Work Environment	3	Thursday	17:00-21:00	07/10/21	28/05/22	ASSEAWL3101	£720	£65	
C&G Award in Assessing Competence in Vocationally Related Achievement	3	Thursday	17:00-21:00	07/10/21	28/05/22	ASSEAWL3102	£720	£65	
C&G Award in the Internal Quality Assurance of Assessment Processes & Practice	4	Thursday	17:00-21:00	04/11/21	05/05/22	IQAPAWL4E101	£836	£75	
Certificate in Post Compulsory Education (PCET) In-service (Year 1)	HE	Tuesday	17:30-20:30	14/09/21	14/06/22	EDUCCEL4P101	£2,750	N/A	Y
Certificate in Post Compulsory Education (PCET) In-service (Year 2)	HE	Thursday	17:30-20:30	16/09/21	16/06/22	EDUCCEL4P203	£2,750	N/A	Y
Professional Graduate Certificate in Post Compulsory Education and Training (PGCE PCET) (Year 1)	HE	Tuesday	17:30-20:30	14/09/21	04/06/22	PGCECEL4P101	£2,750	N/A	Y
Professional Graduate Certificate in Post Compulsory Education and Training (PGCE PCET) (Year 2)	HE	Thursday	17:30-20:30	16/09/21	16/06/22	PGCECEL4P201	£2,750	N/A	Y
The Prince's Trust (Houghall Campus)									
The Prince's Trust Level 1 Certificate in Employment, Teamwork and Community Skills (QCF) September Start §	1	Monday - Friday	Full days	13/09/21	03/12/21	DEVECEL1F101	Free	N/A	
The Prince's Trust Level 1 Certificate in Employment, Teamwork and Community Skills (QCF) January Start §	1	Monday - Friday	Full days	10/01/22	01/04/22	DEVECEL1F102	Free	N/A	
The Prince's Trust Level 2 Certificate in Employment, Teamwork and Community Skills (QCF) May Start §	2	Monday - Friday	Full days	02/05/22	22/06/22	DEVECEL2F103	Free	N/A	

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This course is run in partnership with the



Your Questions Answered

We realise that going to college can be a big step, and naturally you'll have lots of questions, which we're happy to answer.

Here are a few of the most frequently asked...

Will I have to pay?

Depending on your circumstances many of our courses are free (whether or not you are receiving benefits). If you have to pay any fees, in some circumstances, arrangements can be made for you to pay by instalments to help spread the cost. However, your instalment plan must be paid in full before you complete the course.

If you are unemployed some benefits will qualify you for a reduction of fees. Please check our website for the list of benefits and the required evidence needed at enrolment. For those on low incomes we may also be able to assist with other fees for your course. Proof of benefit must be seen at the time of enrolment, you cannot be enrolled without it. In exceptional circumstances the College will provisionally accept you on to your chosen course pending proof of benefit, if no proof is seen within 2 weeks we will cancel your application.

Will my benefits be affected if I come to college?

If you are unsure please contact your local Benefit Office. The rules on studying are very complicated and there may be a limit on the number of hours you will be able to do.

What financial support is available?

Financial support may be available to help with courses fees, travel costs, equipment, books and childcare. (Subject to eligibility)

I'm 18, can I study free?

For students under 19 on 31st August 2021, no course or examination fees are payable. Does not apply to College Certificate courses.

Can I get help with costs?

If you feel you need help with costs, the College has some funds available to help. The funds are limited, so we may not be able to cover all costs requested. Information is available from Student Services. Funding is means tested so we will need to see proof of your income.

What is the Advanced Learner Loan?

It's a bit like the loans available to university students. If you are aged 19 or over you could apply for a Advanced Learner Loan to cover the cost of certain courses at Level 3 or higher. Loan repayment will only start once you have finished your qualification and are earning more than £27,295 a year.

Did you know?

Advance learner loans can be wiped off!

Take out an Advanced Learner Loan for an Access to HE course and see the loan for the course waived when you progress to Higher Education (T&Cs apply)



FREE GYM MEMBERSHIP

Worth over **£450** per year

All EDC students, full time and part time, get free membership to our state-of-the-art fitness gym. This membership includes the class pass package, giving you free access to a range of fitness classes while you are a student at the College.

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