

Cash for College

Financial Support for Students

Is your household income **£43,680** or less?
Is your household in receipt of any income benefits?
16-18 year old and in care or care leaver?

If yes to any of the above, you might be eligible for financial support.

- Weekly meal allowance - money loaded onto college ID card to be used within college.
- Trips and visits related to your course.
- Equipment and uniform essential to your course.
- Travel costs – University interviews/open days and work experience.
- 16-19 Care to Learn - Childcare costs.
- 20+ Contribution to Childcare costs.

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The household income thresholds for support are as follows:

- **Band 1** - Up to £29,485 - 100% Award
- **Band 2** - £29,486 – £36,038 – 60% Award
- **Band 3** - £36,039 – £43,680 – 30% Award

Here are some examples of the income evidence that may apply to you:

- **Employment** - P60 2024 or 2x latest monthly payslips/4x weekly payslips
- **Self-Employment** - Tax Return 2024
- **Pension** – 2024 Letter
- **Universal Credit (UC)** - at least 3x latest statements
- **Tax Credit** - 2024/25 Award Letter
- **Income Support** - 2024 Award Letter
- **Employment and Support Allowance (ESA)** - 2024 Letter
- **Income Based Job Seekers Allowance (JSA)** - 2024 Letter
- **Guarantee element of State Pension Credit** - 2024 Letter
- **Housing Benefit** – 2024 Letter
- **Support under part VI of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999**
Copy of both sides of Application Registration Card (ARC card) and ASPEN Card including a recent receipt.
- **16-18 in Care/Care Leaver** - Written confirmation of the student's current or previous looked after statement issued by the Local Authority (email is acceptable) and evidence of household income.
- **16-18 Living independently and receipt of Income Support or Universal Credit because they are financially supporting themselves and/or a dependant** - Income Support or Universal Credit letter because they are financially supporting themselves and/or a dependant, and evidence of household income.
- **16-18 Students in receipt of Disability Living Allowance (DLA) or Personal Independence Payments (PIP) as well as Employment and Support Allowance or Universal Credit in their own right** - DLA/PIP Letter, UC/ESA Letter and evidence of household income.

Here is the small print:

- Applications cannot be processed without household income evidence.
- All financial support provided is subjected to satisfactory attendance and behaviour.
- Please note that Apprenticeships, HE and Under 16 courses are not funded by Cash for College.

If you have any questions, please call us on **(0121) 602 7888**
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