

Higher and Degree Apprenticeship Funding

What is the Apprenticeship levy?

The Apprenticeship levy was created by the government to support the creation and funding of apprenticeships across many different professional fields. If an organisation has an annual wage bill of £3 million, then they automatically pay into the levy. This funding can then be used to pay for the cost of an apprenticeship.

What can the funding be used for?

- Only training that is directly related to the skills, knowledge and behaviours of the apprenticeship can be funded
- Training licenses required for the specific job role
- Planned on-programme assessment (progress reviews) and the formal End Point Assessment (EPA)
- Materials (non-capital items that are necessary to enable a particular learning activity)
- Administration directly linked to the training and assessment

What is separate from the funding?

- Apprentice wages
- Travel/Subsistence costs
- Enrolment, induction, prior assessment, initial diagnostic testing or similar activity
- Personal protective clothing and safety equipment required by the apprentice to carry out their day-to-day work
- Any training, optional modules, educational trips or trips to professional events in excess of those required to achieve the apprenticeship standard

How important is use of the funding?

If you are unsure what may or may not be funded by your levy or co-investment funding please check with De Montfort University's Higher and Degree Apprenticeship Team on apprenticeships@dmu.ac.uk

