Further Education Funding

FUNDING ADMINISTERED BY THE FACULTY:

16–19 Bursary Fund

If successful, contributions could assist towards the cost of books; equipment/materials; subsistence; trips and transport to attend open days and interviews

- You need to be aged 16–19* years old
  ** you must be under 19 on 31st August on year of entry to the course*
- Or aged 19+ from 31st August on year of entry to the course and have an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP) or continuing on the same study programme started aged 16–18
- Household income shouldn't exceed £43,000 a year
- Attendance *(monitored throughout the year)* should be 80% or above to receive a payment
- If successful, awards will be paid in instalments early November, January and March.

Vulnerable Student Bursary (possibly up to £1,200)

To apply you must meet the age and attendance criteria above and one of the following must apply:

- In care (looked after by local authority)/ Care Leaver
- In receipt of Income Support or Universal Credit
- In receipt of Disability Living Allowance or Personal Independence Payments (in your own right) as well as Employment Support Allowance or Universal Credit (in your own right).

If planning to apply for either of the above bursaries, it is essential that you keep receipts for transport, equipment, or materials purchased for your studies, as these will be required to evidence expenditure.

Free Meal Vouchers

To be used at one of the campus catering outlets.

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  ** you must be under 19 on 31st August on year of entry to the course*
- Or aged 19+ from 31st August on year of entry to the course and subject to an Education Health and Care Plan (EHCP) or continuing on the same study programme started aged 16–18
- You or your parents must meet residency criteria and be in receipt of one or more benefits listed on the application form
- You must be timetabled that day and attending to receive a voucher.

Details of how to make an application will be provided during your induction. Forms must be submitted by **30th September**.

NOTE: Information subject to change based on government guidelines

DMU MONEY ADVICE:

Please note that you **cannot** apply for the funding package via Student Finance England due to this being a Level 3 course, which is not at higher education level.

Home students aged 19 or over on 31st August on the year of entry onto the course, will be charged a tuition fee. If this applies to you, check to see if you are eligible for an Advanced Learner Loan to help cover the fees:

Advanced Learner Loan

ONLY A SET NUMBER AVAILABLE, CHECK IF ALREADY ALLOCATED

You may qualify for this to cover Tuition Fees if you are:

- Aged 19+ on the first day of Year 1 of your course
- A 'Home' student/ settled status (no stay restrictions) (living in UK for 3+ years prior to start of the course)

It is not means-tested and no credit check takes place.

- Apply online at www.gov.uk/advanced-learner-loan
- The minimum loan value is £300
- The UK Provider Reference Number is: 10001883
- You will need a 'Learning and Funding Information Letter' – request it from Faculty Admissions
- Repayments start the April after you finish your course if you are earning more than £25,000.

Alderman Newton's Educational Foundation

If you are a Leicester resident, aged under 25 years old, check if you are eligible to apply for a grant from this Leicester-based charity www.anef.org.uk

You can view more information via our website: **www.dmu.ac.uk/studentfinance** click on 'Funding your studies' then 'Further Education students'

Aged 16–19: the main financial support available to students is administered by the faculty listed on the left of this document.

Aged 20+: if you find yourself in severe financial hardship after having exhausted all other avenues, please contact DMU Money Advice to book an appointment with us to discuss your situation. These appointments are available Monday to Friday, contact details are provided at the bottom of this document.

DMU Money Advice

Ground floor of Gateway House

Tel: (0116) 257 7595
select option 3, then option 3 again

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