

# Finances for Courses

## 1. Access to Industry Access Courses e.g. Access to Graphic Design

**Do I pay Fees?**  
No. Access courses are free

**Can I claim Benefits?**  
Yes. Your benefits are not affected

**Can I get extra money?**  
Yes. funds are available for

**Can I get a Bursary?**  
Yes. Help with living expenses is available

**Info 1**  
A bursary is money from the College to pay towards living expenses. In most cases you can't claim benefits and receive a bursary

**Fulltime**  
21 Hours +  
NO fees

**Part-time**  
Less than 21 hours  
Fees Charged

Your benefits are NOT affected if you are "Not required to be available to work"

**Fulltime**  
Depends on personal circumstances

You have to come off benefits if you "are required to be available to work"

**Part-time**  
Less than 21 hours  
Your benefits are not affected

## 2. Non advance Courses e.g. National Certificate course, Scottish Group Awards

**Do I pay Fees?**  
Depends on course

**Can I claim Benefits?**  
Depends whether full or part time

**Can I get extra money?**  
Yes. Hardship fund are available for childcare

**Can I get extra money?**  
Yes. Young Students Retention Funds are available for money for those aged 16 - 24

**Can I get a Bursary?**  
Yes. Help with living expenses is available. But See Info 1

**Fulltime**  
21 Hours +  
Money for Living expenses

**Part-time**  
Less than 21 hours  
Money only for Transport, childcare, materials

**Do I pay Fees?**  
Depends on course

**Can I claim Benefits?**  
Your benefits are not affected  
If you "are NOT required to be able to work." Otherwise, you will have to come off benefits

**Can I get extra money?**  
Yes. Colleges and Universities have funds for extra help with living expenses

**SAAS**  
Students Award Agency for Scotland  
This agency and not the College provides the money to cover fees and living expenses

**Info 2**  
MUST APPLY FOR THIS

**Fulltime**  
21 Hours +  
NO fees

**Part-time**  
Less than 21 hours  
Charged for each module

**Mature Student**  
Supplementary Grants

**Loans**  
You may also need a loan to help with living expenses. How much you get depends on personal circumstances

Extra money

**Young Student**  
Supplementary Grants

## 4. Training e.g. Training for work

**Can I claim Benefits?**  
Yes. Your benefits are not affected

**Can I get extra money?**  
Yes. Hardship fund are

**Info 3**  
Only available if you get a loan

## 5. Other help

**Trusts**  
Money is available from private bodies or trusts  
You apply directly to them  
(See the list attached or ask the college)