



Next to each course in this guide and on the website, you will see one of these icons:

- N**
NO FINANCIAL SUPPORT
Tuition fees are payable by all students. Discounted fees are not available
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- M**
ENGLISH, MATHS AND DIGITAL SKILLS
GCSE maths, GCSE English and functional skills maths and English course fees are free if you haven't already obtained a grade 4 (C) or above in these subjects. Digital skills are free at Level 2 and below.
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- E**
ESOL
If you are 19 and over, undertaking an Entry Level, Level 1 or Level 2 ESOL course, you will be exempt from paying fees if you receive an active benefit (e.g. Universal Credit, ESA, JSA, Child Tax Credit) and are seeking work, or are employed where the earning threshold applies.
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- T**
TAILORED COURSES
These courses are tailored for adult learners, no matter your employment status, but if you are:
 - Not in paid employment and receive means tested benefit: please bring with you current dated benefit documentation.
 - In paid employment but an annual gross salary of less than £25,000: please bring your wage slips dated within 3 months of the start of the course
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- 1**
ENTRY OR LEVEL 1
If you meet the unemployed* criteria or are employed^ where the earnings threshold applies, and you need to study at Entry or Level 1 to progress to Level 2, tuition fees will be waived.
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- 2F**
FULL LEVEL 2
If you meet the unemployed* criteria, or are employed^ where the earnings threshold applies, or are aged 19-23 and you don't already hold a qualification equivalent to 5 GCSE's at grade 4 (C) or above, tuition fees will be waived.

- 2**
OTHER LEVEL 2
 - If you meet the unemployed* criteria, or earn less than £25,000 annual gross salary, tuition fees will be waived.
 - If you do not meet the unemployed criteria, or you earn more than £25,000 annual gross salary, tuition fees are payable.
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- 3F**
FULL LEVEL 3
 - If you are aged between 19-23 and you don't have a qualification equivalent to 2 A-Levels, tuition fees will be waived.
 - If you are aged between 19-23 and you do have a qualification equivalent to 2 A-Levels at the start of the course, then please see the section on Advanced Learner Loans, or tuition fees are payable.
 - If you are aged over 23 at the start of the course, see the section on Advanced Learner Loans, or tuition fees are payable.
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- 3G**
LEVEL 3 FREE COURSES FOR JOBS
The Free Courses for Jobs offer gives eligible adults the chance to access their first Level 3 qualification for free. Also, any adult aged over 23 who is earning less than £32,200 or is unemployed, will be able to access the identified qualifications for free, regardless of their prior qualification level.
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- A**
OTHER LEVEL 3 OR ABOVE (NOT HIGHER EDUCATION)
If you are aged 19+ at the start of the course, please refer to the section on Advanced Learner Loans.
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- H**
HIGHER EDUCATION
Financial support could be available through Student Finance England.

If you are not a resident of Greater Manchester, different fees may be applicable, which will be discussed when you enrol.



YOUR GUIDE TO FEES



KEY:



UNEMPLOYED

- You are unemployed, seeking work and in receipt of a means tested benefit
- You are economically inactive (GM residents only), meaning you are unemployed and seeking work, but not in receipt of a means tested benefit



EMPLOYED

- You receive a means tested benefit accepted by the college, are working less than 20 hours per week and have an income of £892 per month (individual claims) or £1437 per month (household claims) **or**
- You earn less than £25,000 annual gross salary **and** the course you are studying will help you | find or improve your employment.

ACCEPTABLE EVIDENCE

LOW WAGE:

- Wage slip from the last 3 months, which shows gross salary

MEANS TESTED BENEFIT:

- Bank statement or evidence of online banking from the last 3 months, which shows the benefit being paid into the bank – or a letter from DWP, dated in the last 3 months
- For joint claims, the student must be named on the claim
- Online evidence can be shown
- Council tax benefit – a letter from the local authority or council tax statement for the current year

For 2025-26, the above values are subject to change



FREE COURSES FOR JOBS OFFER...



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This only applies to qualifications listed here via the **GOV.UK website** (www.gov.uk)



ENGLISH FOR SPEAKERS OF OTHER LANGUAGES (ESOL)

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Course Code	Course Title	Day(s)	Start Date	Start Time	End Time	Duration	Location	Total Fees	Fund
NL0700MQ/1	> City and Guilds ESOL Reading (Entry 1 – Level 2 available)					9 Weeks	OS	240	E
NL0800MQ/1	> City and Guilds ESOL Writing (Entry 1 – Level 2 available)					11 Weeks	OS	240	E

ESOL classes are available throughout the year. Dates and times of your course will be discussed during your assessment.

CATERING, HOSPITALITY AND BAKERY

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Course Code	Course Title	Day(s)	Start Date	Start Time	End Time	Duration	Location	Total Fees	Fund
GL8016MQ/1	> Introduction to Working in Food Service and Catering	Friday	24/04/2026	09:00	12:00	8 Weeks	TCI	0	T

CONSTRUCTION

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Course Code	Course Title	Day(s)	Start Date	Start Time	End Time	Duration	Location	Total Fees	Fund
EL0076MQ/1	> Bricklaying - Level 1	Wednesday	28/01/2026	17:30	20:30	15 Weeks	BR	292	1

DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY AND CREATIVE

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Course Code	Course Title	Day(s)	Start Date	Start Time	End Time	Duration	Location	Total Fees	Fund
FL0097MQ/1	> Digital Skills for Work – Level 1	Wednesday	07/01/2026	17:00	20:00	14 Weeks	TCI	0	M
IL0188MQ/1	> Introduction to Video Editing (Adults)	Wednesday	14/01/2026	18:00	20:00	12 Weeks	CI	0	T
IL0187MQ/1	> Introduction to Sewing (Adults) (Jan)	Tue or Wed	13/01/2026	18:00	20:00	12 Weeks	CI	0	T
IL0189MQ/1	> Introduction to Photography (Adults) (Feb)	Tuesday	24/02/2026	18:00	20:00	12 Weeks	CI	0	T
IL0186MQ/1	> Intermediate Sewing (Adults)	Tue or Wed	13/01/2026	18:00	20:00	12 Weeks	CI	0	T
FL0090MQ/1	> Cyber Security HNC Level 4 unit'	Thursday	22/01/2026	13:00	17:00	15 Weeks	TCI	750	3G

EDUCATION

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Course Code	Course Title	Day(s)	Start Date	Start Time	End Time	Duration	Location	Total Fees	Fund
AL0162MQ/1	> Introduction into Teaching Assistants - Level 1	Wednesday	15/04/2026	09:30	14:30	9 Weeks	BR	160	1

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FINANCIAL, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

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Course Code	Course Title	Day(s)	Start Date	Start Time	End Time	Duration	Location	Total Fees	Fund
OL0090MQ/1	> Introduction to Principles of Sustainability	Wednesday	07/01/2026	17:00	21:00	15 Weeks	TC1	750	3G
OL0232MQ/1	> Starting and managing your own business – Level 1	Wednesday	07/01/2026	17:00	20:00	14 Weeks	TC1	193	1

LAND BASED STUDIES

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Course Code	Course Title	Day(s)	Start Date	Start Time	End Time	Duration	Location	Total Fees	Fund
CL0032MQ/1	> Introduction to Animal Care	Tuesday	06/01/2026	17:30	20:30	10 Weeks	BR	80	1
CL0033MQ/1	> Introduction to Animal Care	Tuesday	24/03/2026	17:30	20:30	10 Weeks	BR	80	1
CF0028MQ/1	> Beginners Flower Arranging	Tuesday	06/01/2026	18:00	21:00	6 Weeks	BR	165	N
CF0029MQ/1	> Developing Floristry Skills	Tuesday	24/02/2026	18:00	21:00	6 Weeks	BR	165	N

HAIR AND BEAUTY - BEAUTY THERAPY

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Course Code	Course Title	Day(s)	Start Date	Start Time	End Time	Duration	Location	Total Fees	Fund
GL0256MQ/1	> Award in Indian Head Massage – Level 2	Friday	09/01/2026	09:00	12:00	10 Weeks	TC1	105	2
GL0250MQ/1	> Introduction to Hot Stones Massage	Friday	20/03/2026	09:00	12:00	10 Weeks	TC1	80	1

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

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AL0153MQ/1	> Counselling - Level 2	Tuesday	06/01/2026	day and evening options available		10 Weeks	BR	110	2
AL0154MQ/1	> Counselling - Level 2	Tuesday	14/04/2026	day and evening options available		10 Weeks	BR	110	2

MANUFACTURING AND ENGINEERING

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DL0223MQ/1	> Computer Aided Design (CAD) - Level 2	Wednesday	14/01/2026	17:00	20:00	10 Weeks	BR	272	2

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