



The City
of Liverpool
College

Finance Matters



Financial support for students aged
16-18 on 31.08.18

2018/19



FINANCIAL SUPPORT AVAILABLE*

- Free course fees
- Free travel pass
- College bursaries
- Free meals
- Student hardship fund
- NUS cards

*subject to terms and conditions

Support for your studies

The City Of Liverpool College has a wide variety of financial support services to help students to come to college, regardless of their financial situation.

We want you to be able to make the most of your time at college, and will do our best to help you achieve your full potential.

Fees

If you are under the age of 19 on **31st August 2018** you will be able to study with us **at college level** for **FREE**.

This includes payment of your course fees, and your examination and registration fees.

Progress Bursary

You may be eligible for a bursary payment of £30.00 per week, for every week you are expected to attend College (up to 36 weeks), paid directly into your bank account if you meet the following criteria:

- If you are under the age of 19 on 31.08.2018

AND

- **If you are in receipt of Income Support or Universal Credit in place of Income Support**
- **If you are in receipt of Disability Living Allowance/Personal Independence Payments AND Employment & Support Allowance (ESA)**
- **If you are in care or a care leaver**
- **If you are a young carer**
- **If you are a young unaccompanied Asylum Seeker**

OTHER BENEFITS TO STUDENTS

As a student at the College you are entitled to apply for an NUS Extra card

The NUS (National Union Of Students) Extra Card allows you to access fantastic discounts from brands you love such as ASOS, Prime Student, Apple and many more

The NUS extra card comes with 1 year free ISIC. card , the only internationally accepted proof of certified student status you can use to access fantastic discounts and services for travel, at home and around the world.

To apply for your NUS Extra card please visit the NUS Extra website. A small fee of £12 is applied for your card

www.nus.org.uk



Free Meals/College Bursary

You may also be entitled to free meals and a college bursary of **£15** per week if you or your family are in receipt of the benefits detailed below:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guarantee Element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit) and have an annual gross income of no more than **£16,190.00**, as assessed by HMRC
- Universal Credit with net earnings not exceeding the equivalent of £7,400.00 pa

The College Bursary is not available to Progress Bursary students.

Free Travel Pass

You could be entitled to a free travel pass if you live more than 1.5 miles away from your college centre, are on a full time course and have a household income of below £25,000 per year.

If you are in receipt of a Progress Bursary payment you will also be eligible for your free pass.

The College will pay for a term time bus (Arriva or Stagecoach) or rail pass (Merseyrail) , subject to a £20 contribution from the student each term.

The Arriva and Stagecoach passes can be used 7 days per week. Rail passes Monday to Friday until 8 o'clock pm

You must also achieve an attendance rate of 90% to have your pass renewed each term

HOW DO I APPLY?

You will be offered the opportunity to apply for student financial support during your enrolment.

Your application will be accepted and processed on receipt of the required evidence detailed in this booklet

You will be informed of the outcome of your application via your college email account

Additional information is also available at any College Learning Resource Centre (LRC) or Reception Desk

Please visit www.liv-coll.ac.uk or email AskAnn@liv-coll.ac.uk for further information

Student Fund

The College also has a limited fund available, to offer support to students who encounter additional on-course costs such as equipment, materials, books, stationery etc.

On successful application, a student fund payment is made directly to your bank account.

Students may make one application to the Student Fund per academic year, and allocation of funds is at the discretion of the College.

Childcare

If you are a young parent who has decided to take up a place at the College, Government funding for childcare may be available to you through the Care To Learn scheme.

APPLICATION MANAGEMENT

Please see our Childcare leaflet for more information.

Welfare Benefits


While you remain in full time education (non-advanced) your family will still receive Child Benefit & Child Tax Credit.

If you require a letter to confirm this, please complete a Benefit Confirmation Request form, available from any College Reception or Learning Resource Centre.

Your Application

We will require evidence to be able to process your application, which you will need to submit copies of, along with your application form. Acceptable evidence for travel pass and bursary applications include:

- The most recent copy of your welfare benefits entitlement letter
- The most recent copy of your Tax Credit Award Notification
- P60
- Month 12 or week 52/53 payslip
- Self assessment return/letter from accountant



FINANCIAL SUPPORT

How are you going to support yourself in College? Discounts and waivers are available based on age, personal circumstances, the type of course you are studying and the level you are studying it at.

The Finance Team at The City of Liverpool College works hard to support you during your studies. We offer support

• Course fees

• Travel costs

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