

19+ Student Funding Fact Sheet

What Support might I get

Course Costs

Learner Support Funding will contribute a maximum of 70% of your course fee. **If you are studying a Level 3 qualification and do not qualify for a fee remission you must apply to the Advanced Learner Loan for your course fees.**

PLEASE NOTE THAT OPTIONAL AND OVERSEAS TRIPS CANNOT BE APPLIED FOR THROUGH COLLEGE BURSARY.

Kit/Uniform/Materials

Students are expected to purchase any of Kit/Uniform/Materials (**not including Laptops or software packages**) required for their course **up front** and then provide receipts the student funding department for reimbursement. We are unable to reimburse any costs without valid receipts. Please use the table below as a guide to any awards that may be made. **Please note that each award is a contribution and at the college discretion.**

Childcare – Students can apply for help towards the cost of childcare through the Learner Support Fund, the support fund will contribute towards the cost of childcare during **student timetabled hours only and during termtime up to a maximum of £135.00 per week per child**. Please complete a childcare application form alongside the funding application form, these can be found on our website.

Travel

Students living within 2 miles of the campus that they are studying are not eligible to apply for travel costs. All travel payments will be made into a student bank account at the end of each month. Maximum allocation per academic year will be £650. Please note travel payments are paid in arrears at the end of each month.

Somer Valley College bus - Students who choose to travel on one of the college buses need to complete a bus application form. Please see information below regarding costings.

Full £650

1st Payment £250 – Due on or before 1 September 2021

2nd Payment £200 – Due on or before 4 January 2022

3rd Payment £200 – Due on or before 25 April 2022

Reduce Fee if household income is below £30,000

1st Payment £50 – Due on or before 1 September 2021

2nd Payment £25 – Due on or before 4 January 2022

3rd Payment £25 – Due on or before 25 April 2022

Public Transport - Students will be awarded a monthly amount which is paid directly into bank accounts at the end of each month in arrears. **Please note that each award is a contribution and at the college discretion.**

Train - Students will be awarded a monthly amount which is paid directly into bank accounts at the end of each month in arrears. **Please note that each award is a contribution and at the college discretion.**

Own Car/Motorbike - Students who will be traveling to college in their own transport will be awarded **0.20p** per mile per journey. This will be a monthly payment into the student's bank account at the end of each month in arrears.