

FUNDING

There are a variety of funding sources to help apprentices with travel costs and hardship and all support is subject to funds being available.

** Some of the financial support for apprentices has been funded by local charities and trust funds. These funds cannot support Lancashire Football Education or JTL apprentices.*

Any queries speak to the Student Money Team in the Hex or contact us on **01524 521469** or studentmoney@lmc.ac.uk

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TRAVEL

Bus Passes:

If you are aged 16-18 and live in Lancashire, Lancashire County Council (LCC) will provide you with a bus pass. Your pass will be renewed every 4 weeks until you reach your 19th birthday and the pass will be posted to your home address.

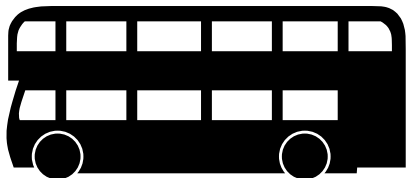
You will need to:

- Complete a LCC application form and provide a passport style photo, contact Student Money for a form.
- The completed form and photo should be returned to Student Money.

If you are an apprentice through Lancashire Football Education or JTL apprentices you will need to speak to them about how to apply for a bus pass.

College Free Buses:

If you are an apprentice living in one of the areas where a free bus service is provided, by the College, you can use the bus to attend your day at College.



*Refunds for travel expenses:

If you are aged 19-24 and live in the Lancaster and Morecambe district - College will refund the equivalent cost of a 4 weekly bus pass for a maximum of 12 months whilst on your apprenticeship. This is charitable funding provided by Banks Lyon.

Please contact the Student Money Team for the appropriate application form.

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APPRENTICE CARE LEAVERS' BURSARY

For apprentices starting their apprenticeship on or after 1 August 2023, the bursary will be £3,000. It is payable in instalments over the first year of the apprenticeship.

ELIGIBLE APPRENTICES - For an apprentice to be eligible for a care leavers' bursary they must:

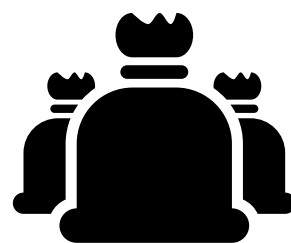
- be aged under 25 at the time they start their apprenticeship
- have not received the care leavers' bursary before
- be either an eligible child, a relevant child or a former relevant child

An eligible child - A young person aged 16-17 who has been looked after by a UK local authority, or health & social care trust, for a period of at least 13 weeks since the age of 14, and who is still looked after.

A relevant child - A young person aged 16-17 who has left care within the UK after their 16th birthday, and before leaving care was an eligible child.

A former relevant child - A young person aged 18-21 (up to their 25th birthday if they're in education and training) who, before turning 18, was either an eligible or a relevant child.

Please contact Student Money for an application form.



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*APPRENTICESHIP HARDSHIP FUNDING

The Apprenticeship Hardship Funding exists to help apprentices who are in financial difficulties, due to being made redundant or losing their job, and the apprentice will receive a weekly payment for a specified number of weeks.

Please contact your Apprenticeship Co-ordinator if you wish to apply to the Hardship Fund. Your co-ordinator completes the form with you and they submit the form to the Apprenticeship Manager.