



Have finances ever prevented you learning new skills or advancing your career?

The new 24+ Advanced Learning Loan could be the solution.

This loan covers Level 3 and 4 course fees* if you're 24 or over... and you won't need to pay back a penny until you're earning over £21k.



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Terms and conditions: Information will be restricted to College use only and will not be passed on to any third parties.

Competition rules: No purchase necessary. Normal College competition rules apply. No cash alternative. No correspondence will be entered into. The closing date for entries is 31st August 2013. The first entry drawn out after that date will be awarded the prize.



If you're 24 or over, you can achieve qualifications without the burden of upfront course fees

From August 2013, a new 24+ Advanced Learning Loan will be available for students studying Level 3 and 4 courses. It will cover 100% of the course fees – and you won't need to pay anything back until you're earning over £21,000 a year.

Level 3 and 4 courses include

- A Levels
- Access to Higher Education
- Advanced and Higher Apprenticeships
- QCF Certificates and Diplomas
- University of Arts London Foundation Diploma in Art and Design.

See pages 4-9 for full details of the qualifying courses.



"We are already having very positive feedback from students who are being interviewed for courses next September; they see it as a real opportunity, especially at a time of austerity. I would encourage students to come forward early to secure their loans."

Peggy Tovey, Weston College Deputy Principal

About the loan

To qualify for a 24+ Advanced Learning Loan, you must:

- Be aged 24 or over at the start of your course
- Be a resident in the UK
- Have not previously received a loan to study the same course subject and level
- Study a course at Level 3 or 4 (including QCF Certificates and Diplomas, Access to Higher Education, A Levels (maximum of four), University of Arts London Foundation Diploma in Art and Design, Advanced and Higher Apprenticeships).

Other key facts

- The loan covers the upfront tuition costs, including registration and certification of your qualification, and will be paid directly to the College.
- The loans are not means tested or credit checked so, if you meet the criteria, you will be able to apply for a loan whether you are employed or unemployed.
- You don't pay anything upfront for your course fees and, if you're not earning over £21,000 a year, you won't ever have to pay anything back (certain criteria apply).
- Once you're earning over £21,000, you pay back 9% of the difference. So, if you're earning £23,000 a year, the repayment is just £15 a month.
- If your loan is to cover the fees for the Access to Higher Education course and you subsequently complete a university-level (Higher Education) course, you will never have to pay back your 24+ Advanced Learning Loan.
- Apprenticeships the student and the employer are expected to share the costs of the course, so the loan you take would be for 50% of the course fee.

How can I apply for a 24+ Loan?

You can apply online or in paper-based form for courses starting from September 2013. We will help you to complete this application when you come in to visit us.

After submitting an application, you will be assessed by the Student Loans Company (SLC). Once you've fulfilled the criteria, the SLC will inform you and the College.

Accelerate to a new career with over 60 courses to choose from

Access to Higher Education

- Animal and Equine Management, Level 3, 1 year
- Education (with Humanities), Level 3, 1 year
- Nursing, Health and Social Care, Level 3, 1 year.

Accounting and Law

- Accounting Diploma, AAT, Intermediate, Level 3
- Accounting Diploma, AAT, Level 4
- Computerised Accounts, City and Guilds, Level 3
- Law and Practice Certificate, ILEX, Level 3
- Law and Practice Diploma, ILEX, Level 3
- Taxation and Ethics, AAT Certificate, Level 4.

Assessor qualifications

- Assessing Vocational Achievement Certificate, Level 3
- Leading the Internal Quality Assurance of Assessment Certificate, Level 4.

Business, IT and Property Sale/Letting

- Business Administration Higher Apprenticeship, Level 4, in the workplace, 12-18 months
- Business and Administration Diploma, Level 3 in the workplace, 12-18 months
- Business, Edexcel Subsidiary Diploma, Level 3
- Customer Service Diploma, Level 3 in the workplace, 12-18 months
- Enterprise and Entrepreneurship ILM Certificate, Level 3
- HR Practice CIPD Certificate, Level 3
- IT BTEC Subsidiary Diploma, Level 3
- Leadership and Management, ILM, Level 5
- Management Certificate, Level 3 in the workplace, 12-18 months
- Management Diploma, Level 4 in the workplace, 12-18 months
- Management, Higher Apprenticeship, Level 5, in the workplace, 12-18 months
- Professional Competence for IT and Telecoms Professionals Diploma, Level 3, in the workplace, 12-18 months



Nursing, Health and Social Care,32 week, and a fast-track starting January 2013

- Education (with Humanities)
- Animal and Equine Management.

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- Property (Residential Letting and Management) Diploma, Level 3 in the workplace, 12-18 months
- Property (Sale of Residential Property) Diploma, Level 3 in the workplace, 12-18 months
- Travel and Tourism Edexcel Diploma, Level 3.

Childcare/Health and Social Care/Counselling

- Children and Young Peoples' Workforce Diploma, Level 3, 30 weeks
- Children and Young People's Workforce Diploma, Level 3, in the workplace, 12-18 months
- Counselling Certificate, Level 3, 30 weeks
- Health and Social Care Extended Diploma, Level 3, 2 years
- Health and Social Care (adult) Diploma, Level 3, in the workplace, 12-18 months
- Home-based Childcare Services, Level 3, unit of study, 8 weeks.

Construction and Engineering

- Brickwork Diploma, Level 3, 32 weeks
- Carpentry Diploma, Level 3, 32 weeks
- Electrical/Electronic Technology 2365 Certificate, Level 3, 32 weeks
- Electrical Training Package, fast-track, Level 3, 18 weeks
- Light Vehicle Maintenance and Repair Principles Diploma, Level 3, 32 weeks
- Plumbing Studies 6035 Diploma, Level 3, 32 weeks
- Plumbing Training Package, fast-track, Level 3, 18 weeks.

Creative Arts

- Game Design, Extended Diploma, 2 years
- Graphic Design, Extended Diploma, 2 years
- Media Production, Extended Diploma, 2 years
- Photography, Extended Diploma, 2 years
- University of Arts London Foundation Diploma, 1 year.

Hairdressing, Beauty and Complementary Therapies

- Barbering Diploma, Level 3, in the workplace, 12-18 months
- Beauty VRQ, Level 3, 30 weeks
- Beauty Therapy Diploma, Level 3, in the workplace, 12-18 months
- Colour Correction Certificate, Level 4, 12 weeks
- Hairdressing Diploma, Level 3, in the workplace, 12-18 months





- Hairdressing VRQ, Level 3, 30 weeks
- Indian Head Massage VRQ, Level 3, 12 weeks
- Salon Management, Level 4, 30 weeks
- Salon Management Certificate, Level 4, in the workplace, 12-18 months
- Spa Therapy Diploma, Level 3, in the workplace, 12-18 months
- Stone Therapy VRQ, Level 3, 12 weeks.

Hospitality and Cookery

- Hospitality Management, Level 4, in the workplace, 12-18 months
- Hospitality Supervision and Leadership Diploma, Level 3, in the workplace, 12-18 months
- Hotel and Event Management, Extended Diploma, Level 3, 2 years
- Professional Cookery Diploma, Level 3 in the workplace, 12-18 months
- Professional Cookery NVQ, Level 3, 32 weeks.

Music

- Music Performance Diploma, fast-track, 1 year
- Music Performance, Extended Diploma, 2 years
- Music Production Diploma, fast-track, 1 year
- Music Production, Extended Diploma, 2 years.

Performing/Production Arts

- Performing Arts, Extended Diploma, 2 years
- Production Arts Extended Diploma, 2 years.

Sport

■ Personal Training, CYQ, Level 3 Certificate, 30 weeks.

Teaching

 Specialist Support for Teaching and Learning in Schools Diploma, Level 3, in the workplace, 12-18 months.

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Additional financial help

If you've been awarded a 24+ Advanced Learning Loan, you may also be eligible for financial support in the form of a non-repayable Weston College bursary.

There are two available bursaries:

The Weston College Discretionary Learning Support Bursary

This will be available to students in receipt of the 24+ Advanced Learning Loan who have a household annual income of less than £26,800 and/or are in receipt of benefits.

It offers cash and in-kind support to assist students with transport, meals, equipment, study costs and accommodation. The amount awarded will be based on household income.

The Weston College Additional Learning Support Bursary

This provides funding to help cover the cost of additional learning support for students with a range of learning difficulties and/or disabilities.

Students who undertake courses not covered by the 24+ Loan may still be eligible for financial support at the discretion of the College.



To find out what additional financial assistance you may be eligible for, call 01934 411 668 or email 24loan@weston.ac.uk

Free and impartial careers advice available for adults

The Weston College careers team provides adults with the tools they need to progress their career and take control of their learning and working life.

The service offers confidential, helpful and impartial advice, provided by qualified careers advisers, and is free to everyone over 19 (or 18 if claiming Job Seeker's Allowance or ESA (WRAG)).

A Careers Adviser can help you:

- Develop your CV
- Search and apply for jobs
- Improve interview skills
- Understand the job market
- Identify your key strengths and skills
- Find out about training and learning opportunities
- Explore your career options
- Open a Lifelong Learning Account.

Anyone over 19 is eligible for at least one free face-to-face session. Three sessions can be claimed by people:

- Claiming JSA and ESA (WRAG) who are at least 18 years old
- Adults facing redundancy, newly redundant or at a distance from the labour market
- Adults without a Level 2 or 3 qualification
- Aged 18-24 and not in education, employment or training
- Adults with learning difficulties and/or disabilities.

Anyone using the service will receive a personalised career action plan and be given access to a wide range of other resources.

For more information or to book an appointment, email james.wilmot@weston.ac.uk or call 01934 411 594

Don't miss this opportunity, contact us today:

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