

Another way to expand your horizons with £200 funding

Are you thinking about taking your first steps back into learning but don't feel ready for a more advanced qualification? Or perhaps you don't have much time to learn? ILA Scotland can still help.

- We offer funding of up to £200 a year towards the cost of a wide range of short courses – from computing courses to beginners' language courses
- There are many courses to choose from and you can study with any learning provider that is ILA Scotland approved – including learning centres, private training providers, colleges and universities.



What ILA Scotland can mean to you

- Improve your career opportunities by gaining a qualification recognised and valued by employers
- Get help towards the cost of your course – so you can study at a quicker pace and get your qualification earlier
- Gives you the means to study part-time and still fit learning into your life.

Request your application pack online now at www.ilascotland.org.uk or call us free on **0808 100 1090**

ILA Scotland is a Scottish Government scheme administered by Skills Development Scotland and the Student Awards Agency for Scotland.

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Puzzled about how to pay for your course fees?

Solve the problem with up to £500 from ILA Scotland.



Thinking about studying part-time for a new qualification?

ILA Scotland is a simple way for you to get up to £500 a year towards the cost of your course fees.

It's a Scottish Government scheme for people who have an income of £22,000 a year or less or are on benefits. If you are 16 or over and living in Scotland, you can get up to £500 a year towards higher education and professional qualifications (see table).

And, better still, the money is not a loan so you don't have to pay it back.



Get the skills you need to get on in life

A new qualification gives you a sense of achievement, improves your job prospects and earning potential and can open new doors to a whole range of career opportunities.

Taking the initiative and getting a new qualification proves to employers that you're a person they'll really value – with the knowledge and skills that could make a real difference to their business.

ILA Scotland £500 funding – it's not a loan, it's an opportunity

It's easy to see why gaining a qualification is a smart move. But paying for the course isn't always quite so easy. That's where a learner account from ILA Scotland can help.

Here's how:

- You need to be studying towards an eligible course at 40 Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF) credits or more a year
- Higher education courses, Professional Development Awards (PDA) and Continuing Professional Development (CPD) courses at SCQF levels 7-10 are eligible
- And for academic year 2009/10 we've also included part-time taught postgraduate courses, PDA and CPD courses at SCQF level 11.

Eligible qualifications 2009/10

SCQF level	Higher Education Qualifications
11	Masters Degree Postgraduate Diploma Postgraduate Certificate
10	Honours Degree Professional Graduate Diploma in Education
9	Ordinary Degree
8	Higher National Diploma Diploma of Higher Education
7	Higher National Certificate Certificate of Higher Education
SCQF level	Professional Qualifications
7-11	Professional Development Award Continuing Professional Development

Eligible qualifications at SCQF level 11 are subject to review after academic year 2009/10

Call or click for all the help and advice you need

Whatever you want to learn – or even if you're not sure yet – just give our friendly ILA Scotland helpline advisers a call free on **0808 100 1090**

They'll be happy to tell you more about the funding that's available and help you decide which type of learner account to apply for.

You can also visit our website at www.ilascotland.org.uk to find out more about how to use your funding.



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Talk to your course provider to find out more about eligible courses.