

## Cost of Learning....

They say that knowledge is priceless, but learning a new skill could cost as little as £15. There are thousands of courses on offer throughout Scotland to choose from and you could get help from ILA Scotland to help pay for your learning.

For the price of a CD you could take a short course on making professional presentations. Banff and Buchan College's part-time evening course can help you to gain the edge at job interviews and feel more confident when speaking in public.

- **Borders College is offering French for Absolute Beginners course for £30 – less than the cost of a meal in a French restaurant.**
- **Beginners Gaelic is a homegrown goodie in Islay's Columba Centre, for just £24.**
- **At £40 – less than the price of some beauty products – learners can get an introduction to beauty trends at Fife Street Learning Centre in Macduff.**
- **Forth Valley College is offering a part-time course on artificial nail extensions – at a cost of £54, only a little more than the average cost of a set of nail extensions.**
- **Glasgow's Langside College has Russian for Beginners – a Baltic bargain at £60 for a short course.**
- **A completely new career could open up for £110 if you take part in Ayr College's Door Stewards Course.**
- **For £175 there are courses which encourage people to Get Into...Marketing, Personnel, PR or Journalism. These are offered at Edinburgh's Pitman College.**
- **Are you the next JK Rowling? You can sign up for a course on Writing Books for Children. This self-study course leads to a diploma and costs £439.**
- **The most expensive ILA Scotland approved course is the Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer qualification at £5,230.**

But whatever course you choose, you can get help towards the cost of your learning. Learners pay a minimum contribution of £10 towards the cost of each course.