

All awards made through the Student Support Funds are discretionary. The college reserves the right to amend the scheme subject to funding through the Learning and Skills Council.

To get an application pack call into Main Reception at North Road or Student Services at Lansdowne. Alternatively contact the Student Support Finance Team on 01202 205488 (answerphone)

Awards are generally made direct to the relevant Academy. If a cheque is issued this will be payable to the student and payments for Childcare will be made direct to the Childcare Providers.

Unforeseen short term hardship/exceptional circumstances

If you are experiencing exceptional financial difficulties during your course you should contact the Student Support Finance Team as soon as possible. The Student Support Funds Application Form should be completed with your circumstances explained in the additional information section. A letter from your tutor, social worker or GP for example should also be included where possible to support your application.

Any awards made will be determined on an individual basis; however, the funds will not support daily living costs such as rent or food.

College Contacts

Student Support Fund	01202 205488	Email: ssf@bpc.ac.uk
Student Travel	01202 205660	Email: ssf@bpc.ac.uk
Student Finance Supervisor	01202 205300	
The Link – Student Support Centre @ North Road	01202 205255	
The Link – Student Support Centre @ Lansdowne	01202 205896	
EMA Enquires (North Road)	01202 205255	
EMA Enquires (Lansdowne)	01202 205362	
Course Enquiry Centre	01202 205205	
Sunshine Nursery @ North Road	01202 205670	
Sunshine Nursery @ Lansdowne	01202 205444	

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 North Road, Parkstone, Poole, Dorset, BH14 0LS

Lansdowne Campus
 Meyrick Road, Lansdowne, Bournemouth, Dorset, BH1 3JJ

What other costs do I need to know about?

The additional costs of studying will vary depending on what course you are studying. Some courses require substantial equipment that you will need to purchase. For instance, Hairdressing kits, Beauty kits, Catering equipment, Law books and Graphic Design / Art equipment etc.

Other courses will only require basic stationary and some books. Whatever course you choose to study, it is important that you ask your Tutor/Academy what materials, books, uniform or equipment you might need to buy and how much they will cost.

If you are from a family with a low income you may be able to receive some support through the Student Support Fund, see section 2.

Student Support Fund

The Student Support Finance Team is responsible for the administration of the Student Support Fund. This is a fund that integrates a number of resources, including the Learner Support Fund and College Travel Fund.

If you think your family is on a low income, you may qualify for financial support for education visits, materials, equipment and childcare.

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To get an application pack call into The Link at North Road or Lansdowne or the Main Reception areas. Alternatively contact the Student Support Finance Team on 01202 205488

SSF	GROSS ANNUAL HOSEHOLD INCOME	AWARDS AVAILABLE FOR EQUIPMENT, MATERIALS AND EDUCATIONAL VISITS	AWARDS AVAILABLE FOR CHILDCARE
		FULL TIME LEARNERS	PART TIME LEARNERS
A	MEANS TESTED BENEFIT	UP TO £400.00	UP TO £200.00
B	INCOME UP TO £15 940	UP TO £350.00	UP TO £150.00
C	INCOME BETWEEN £15 941 - £25 000	UP TO £300.00	UP TO £100.00
D	INCOME BETWEEN £25 001 - £30 810	UP TO £250.00	UP TO £75.00
			£16.00 - FULL DAY SESSION £6.00 - HALF DAY SESSION

Applications and Awards

To ensure that your application has been processed for the start of the year please return your application in good time, fully completed with all the evidence required. You will be notified of the outcome of your application within 4 weeks of your enrolment.

Are there any other sources of financial help?

In some exceptional cases, students can get help from Charitable Trusts. The best way of looking for awards or bursaries is by looking on the internet. The College Foundation may provide additional resources that are not covered by Government funding. All applications need to go through the Student Support Finance Team. You can also access information about funding on the internet via www.support4learning.org.uk or www.nus.org.uk

Where can I get advice about finances?

The Student Support Finance team can provide financial advice on a variety of aspects concerning money including managing money and debt. You can make an appointment with the Student Finance Supervisor at The Link or by phoning directly on 01202 205300.

Travel Funding

The College offers subsidised travel if you are on a full-time course and live over 5 miles away from the centre of your study. For Further information and an application pack please phone the Student Support Finance Team on 01202 205660.

BANDING	GROSS ANNUAL HOSEHOLD INCOME	YELLOW BUS PASS	WILTS AND DORSET SAVER TICKET	WILTS AND DORSET NETWORK TICKET	SOUTH WEST TRAINS PASS
A	STUDENT ELIGIBLE FOR EMA / ALG	£245.00	£370.00	£370.00	£370.00
B	MEANS TESTED BENEFITS AND NOT ENTITLED TO EMA / ALG	N/A - FREE PASS	N/A - FREE PASS	N/A - FREE PASS	N/A - FREE PASS
C	INCOME OTHER THAN ALL OTHER CATEGORIES ABOVE	£250.00	£420.00	£540.00	£651.00

- The web based AA Route Planner is used to calculate the mileage
- Please note that payments can be made in 2 equal instalments

What will full-time & part-time education cost if I am aged 19 and over?

Once you have decided which course to follow, your next concern will be the cost of studying and whether you qualify for any financial support.

The following fee information does not apply if you are an International Student. For more information contact your Academy Administration Office, as arrangements may be different if you do not or have not lived in the United Kingdom or an EU Country for more than 3 years.

Will I have to pay any fees?

There will be tuition fees to pay for full-time and part-time courses and in some cases there will also be exam fees. For full details of cost, please contact the relevant Academy Administration Office.



**Student Financial
Information Booklet
Over 19
2008/2009**

Welcome to the Bournemouth and Poole College!

Are you wondering...?

**How much college will cost?
How you will fund your studies?
What support is available?**

You have chosen the course you want to follow and now you want to find out whether you qualify for any financial support.

This booklet covers some of the sources of funding and support available for you.

In the main, the following information applies to all students aged 19 and over attending a FE college, except those students who are Apprentices, New Deal Participants and Overseas Students. If you are one of these students you should contact your tutor/Academy for more information.

If you are not aged 19 and over....

- And are aged 16 to 18, contact the Student Support Finance Team on 01202 205488 for more information about funding.
- And you require information about Higher Education Funding (HNC, HND and Degree level courses) please contact the Higher Education Team on 01202 205180 or freephone 0800 731 9133 for a free booklet.

The main topics covered in this booklet are:

- What will full-time & part-time education cost if I am aged 19 and over?
- Student Support Fund / Travel Funding
- Can I work part-time while I am studying?
- Other sources of financial help
- Getting advice about your finances

Am I entitled to any State Benefits?

Depending upon your circumstances, and whether you are on a full-time or part-time course, you may be entitled to benefits such as Income Support, Housing Benefit and Job Seekers Allowance. If you are a single parent or disabled you will normally be entitled to certain other benefits. For more information contact your local Job Centre Plus office.