

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

There are the funding schemes which are available to assist military students in financing their studies:

Standard Learning Credits (SLC)

All service personnel can claim up to £175 every financial year towards 80% of the cost of education / training that:

- Leads to nationally recognised qualifications
- Has some benefit to the Service

You must ensure that you submit your SLC application form to your local Army Education Centre (AEC) *before* the course. On completion of the course, hand your paperwork into the AEC and 80% of the course cost is returned through your pay. Further details can be obtained from your AEC.

Enhanced Learning Credits (ELC)

The Ministry of Defence's Enhanced Learning Credits Scheme (ELC) promotes lifelong learning amongst members of the Armed Forces - Wiltshire College & University Centre is a registered ELCAS provider: 1217

Under this scheme, personnel can obtain financial support of up to £3000 - £6000 towards 80% of the cost of a course at Level 3 or above from a recognised provider. One claim can be made per financial year and funding is available for up to 5 years after you leave. Check you are registered with the scheme before enrolling (click on logo)

Publicly Funded Further & Higher Education for Service Leavers (PF FE/HE)

If you have 4- 6 years or more of qualifying service and are classed as a 'Service leaver' due to having signed off, or being medically or administratively discharged, the Service will pay all tuition fees for a first:

- Level 3 (A Level equivalent)
- Foundation Degree
- Undergraduate Degree

This scheme is also available to use up to 5 years after you have left the Service.

Individual Resettlement Training Costs (IRTC) Grant

The IRTC grant is available to Service leavers with six or more years' service and all Medical Discharges. It is a contribution to training costs and can be used for training with CTP Preferred Suppliers, such as Wiltshire College & University Centre.

The IRTC is available for tuition fees up to a maximum of £534.

Further details on the various funding routes are available from your Education Centre or Individual Education & Resettlement Officer (IERO).

