

## 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).

