

## Useful Websites / Phone Numbers for Future Planning

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*This list is not exhaustive.*

Social Care Direct: **0845 6037630**

Duty Social Worker (North Essex 0-15 Team): **03330 139981**

Duty Social Worker (North Essex 16-25 Team): **03330 138956**

Duty Social Worker (Mid Essex 0-15 Team): **03330 139866**

Duty Social Worker (Mid Essex 16-25 Team): **03330 138964**

General Enquiries Line (County Wide): **03330 139867**

Statutory Assessment Service Helpline (North Essex): **03330 137667**

Statutory Assessment Service Helpline (Mid Essex): **03330 139949**

Emotional Wellbeing and Mental Health Service (EWMHS) 9am-5pm: **0300 3001600**, out of hours Crisis Support Service: **0300 555 1201**

Job Centre: <https://www.gov.uk/contact-jobcentre-plus>

Essex Jobcentre Plus sites currently have Social Justice Coaches or Consultants and/or a Supported Employment Coach. To book appointments please call: **0345 6060234**

Essex County Councils (ECC) Employability & Skills Intervention Team work with young people age 16-19, to access this service learners must be job ready. The team will help you to find the right opportunities in your area and will also support you with your applications, including creating your CV.

Please contact the North Employability and Skills Intervention Team on **03330 138961** or email [esu.interventionnorth@essex.gov.uk](mailto:esu.interventionnorth@essex.gov.uk)

Please contact the Mid Employability and Skills Intervention Team on **03330 138960** or email [esu.interventionmid@essex.gov.uk](mailto:esu.interventionmid@essex.gov.uk)

[www.essexlocaloffer.org.uk](http://www.essexlocaloffer.org.uk) - The Local Offer is published by Essex County Council as part of SEND reforms under the Children and Families Act, and is a directory of services helping you to identify support groups, eligibility for services, leisure activities and providing financial information, as well as providing information about education, health and care services. It is aimed at children and young people from 0-25, their parents and carers, and professionals.

<https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/aboutus/contactus/Pages/default.aspx> - A useful website about finding a job, planning your career, course information, volunteering, advice and funding, CV and interview tips. For face to face advice you need to be aged 19 or over, call to book an appointment at your local office. Phone an adviser: **0800 100 900** Lines are open 8am to 10pm, 7 days a week.

<https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/advice/planning/jobfamily/Pages/default.aspx> - Alphabetical listings of different job profiles outlining: work, hours, income, entry requirements, training, skills and knowledge.

[www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk) - The official UK government website for citizens incorporating job seeking, Job Centre Plus job search, benefits, and national insurance with section linked to Education and Learning : <https://www.gov.uk/browse/education>

[www.nya.org.uk/youthinformation-com](http://www.nya.org.uk/youthinformation-com) - 'National Youth Agency' information toolkit for young people covering: housing, health, family and relationships, environment, education, employment and training, cyber safety, money, leisure, travel and justice.

[www.careersa-z.co.uk](http://www.careersa-z.co.uk) - Directory of careers information, jobs, courses and professional bodies.

[www.careers-gateway.co.uk](http://www.careers-gateway.co.uk) - Covers professional bodies, trade associations, job seeking and higher education.

[www.careersbox.co.uk](http://www.careersbox.co.uk) - Advice and information on career opportunities with a range of short films about occupations within a number of different career types.

## **SUPPORT CONTACTS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE/ PARENTS**

[www.isessex.org](http://www.isessex.org) - Trained independent supporters to work with parents of young people with SEN and disabilities as they go through the new assessment process for an EHC Plan.

[www.snapcharity.org/](http://www.snapcharity.org/) - Registered charity for the welfare of children and young people with special needs and disabilities aged 0-25. Includes a comprehensive directory of useful contacts for Parents and professionals. Telephone: **01277 211300** or Email: [info@snapcharity.org](mailto:info@snapcharity.org)

[www.papworth.org.uk](http://www.papworth.org.uk) - A national disability charity offering a wide range of services such as: local youth clubs, summer schools, day centres, work experience and adaptations to your home. They provide information and advice via their Information Line: **0800 952 5000**

<http://www.teentalkharwich.co.uk/> - Teen Talk (**01255 504800 / 240024**) support young people aged 11-25 in the Tendring area.

[www.interact.org.uk](http://www.interact.org.uk) - Interact are a registered charity based in Mid Essex and offer support across Essex. They seek to help people at different stages of their life: learning, leisure, work, health and wellbeing, particularly at times of transition during these stages, when help is often needed most.

[www.familiesinfocussessex.org.uk](http://www.familiesinfocussessex.org.uk) - Families in Focus support families of children with special needs and disabilities across Essex. They run training courses, activity clubs and have family support advisers who can provide you with any advice, information or support on issues of concern about your child including benefits and educational matters. Telephone: **01245 353575**  
Monday - Friday: 10am - 4pm, Mondays: 5pm - 7.30pm (term time), 24 hour answerphone.

[www.youthaccess.org.uk/](http://www.youthaccess.org.uk/) - Youth Access is a large provider of young people's advice and counselling services in the UK.

[www.transitioninonetwork.org.uk](http://www.transitioninonetwork.org.uk) - For disabled young people in transition to adulthood, their families and people they work with.

[www.skill.org.uk](http://www.skill.org.uk) - National bureau for students with disabilities.

<https://www.gov.uk/browse/disabilities> - Public service website offering advice to disabled people covering finances, education, employment your rights, housing, health, travel and transport.

[www.adviceguide.org.uk/index/your\\_money/employment/young\\_people\\_and\\_employment.htm](http://www.adviceguide.org.uk/index/your_money/employment/young_people_and_employment.htm)

Citizens Advice Young People & Employment

<http://www.essex.gov.uk/Education-Schools/Schools/Special-Education-Needs/Pages/Parent-Partnership-Service.aspx> - SEND Information, Advice & Support Fund is run by Essex County Council. They can help you if you're a parent or carer, or a child or young person who needs information, advice and support about special educational needs and disability issues. They offer impartial and confidential support over the telephone or in person around educational issues. To make a referral call **03330 138913** or email [send.iass@essex.gov.uk](mailto:send.iass@essex.gov.uk).

You can also contact your nearest support worker: North east (Colchester office) - **03330 130539**

<http://www.cafamily.org.uk/> Contact a Family have a SEN National Advice Service which enables parents and carers to get one-to-one, in-depth and personalised advice from fully-trained SEN advisers on all education issues. Phone: **0808 808 3555**. The helpline is open Monday to Friday 9.30am-5pm, closed bank holidays.

## **TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES:**

<http://www.essex.gov.uk/adult-learning/Pages/Default.aspx> - Adult Community Learning (ACL) - Hundreds of courses to choose from across Essex. ACL Colchester - Wilson Marriage Centre Barrack Street, Colchester CO1 2LR Telephone: **01206 798488**. ACL Clacton - 17 St Osyth Road, Clacton-On-Sea CO15 3BN Telephone: **01255 424151**

[www.learnirect.co.uk](http://www.learnirect.co.uk) - mainly aimed at adults, trained advisers who can discuss careers, training or educational options. Telephone: **0800 101900**

## **APPRENTICESHIPS**

### **National:**

[www.apprenticeships.org.uk](http://www.apprenticeships.org.uk) - a National website providing up to date apprenticeship vacancies. You can register and email your CV to apply for apprenticeship vacancies in your local area.

[www.remit.co.uk/training](http://www.remit.co.uk/training) - Apprenticeships in the Automotive, IT, Food and Business Administration amongst others.

[www.jtltraining.com](http://www.jtltraining.com) - Apprenticeships in Plumbing, Electrical, Heating & Ventilation and Engineering Maintenance.

### **Local Providers:**

[www.essex.gov.uk/essexapprentice](http://www.essex.gov.uk/essexapprentice) - Essex County Council Apprenticeships - Apprenticeships in Engineering, Engineering Construction, Logistics, Social Care and Energy amongst other areas.

[www.easihair.co.uk](http://www.easihair.co.uk) EASI Hairdressing - Hairdressing Apprenticeships.

[www.tendringdc.gov.uk](http://www.tendringdc.gov.uk) Career Track - Mainly offer Business Administration and Customer Service Apprenticeships.

[www.hittraining.co.uk](http://www.hittraining.co.uk) HIT Training - apprenticeships in Hospitality and Catering.

[www.vts.ac.uk](http://www.vts.ac.uk) Vocational Training Services - apprenticeships in Care and Child Care.

[www.essex.gov.uk/Education-Schools/Adult-Learning](http://www.essex.gov.uk/Education-Schools/Adult-Learning) Adult Community College - Various Apprenticeships and Traineeships.

[www.anneclarkeltd.co.uk](http://www.anneclarkeltd.co.uk) Anne Clarke Associates Ltd - Apprenticeships and Traineeships in Business Administration to Hospitality.

Employers offer their own apprenticeship schemes - Barclays, BT, Sainsbury's, British Sugar... to name a few.

[www.notgoingtouni.co.uk](http://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk) - Alternative paths to going to University, including latest news, Apprenticeship and volunteering opportunities.

## PRE - APPRENTICESHIPS

<http://www.essex.gov.uk/Adult-Learning/Pages/Apprenticeships.aspx> - Adult Community Learning Pre apprenticeships are available for young people aged 16-23. A pre-apprenticeship is an education and training programme with work experience that is focused on giving young people the skills and experience that employers are looking for.

Pre-apprenticeships are designed to last no longer than six months, with the work placement lasting from three weeks to five months depending on progression.

Core target group is young people who:

Are not currently in a job and have little work experience, but who are focused on work / prospect of it, qualified below level 3, are assessed as having a reasonable chance of being ready for employment, or progress to an apprenticeship, within 6 months of engaging on a pre-apprenticeship programme.

Pre apprenticeships in the following sectors:

Children & Young People / Health & Social Care / Business Administration / Customer Service (list is not exhaustive)

Contact the Employability and Enterprise department on **03330 130417** for more information.

## TRAINEESHIPS

Traineeships are unpaid work experience placements with employers lasting from 5 weeks to 6 months. You will gain employability skills, functional skills and experience and it could lead to an apprenticeship with an employer.

[www.anneclarkeltd.co.uk](http://www.anneclarkeltd.co.uk) Anne Clarke Associates Ltd - Apprenticeships and Traineeships in Business Administration to Hospitality

[www.apprenticeships.org.uk](http://www.apprenticeships.org.uk) - a National website providing up to date apprenticeship and traineeships vacancies. You can register and email your CV to apply for vacancies in your local area

[www.tchc.net](http://www.tchc.net) TCHC GAPs Study Programme (Clacton) is a Full-Time Programme for 16-18 year olds who are NEET.

Course Code: 601/3712/5 - Main Qualification 'Customer Service' Level 1 and Level 2

Additional qualifications: Employability/PSD/Health & Safety L2/First Aid L3

The programme aims to equip the learner with the essential work ready skills and support into an Apprenticeship or Further Education. The programme runs for 5 days a week Monday to Friday 09.30am to 16.30pm and includes a supported work experience placement. Maths and English are mandatory units for all learners who have not achieved GCSE grades above D and can be taken at either GCSE or functional skills level depending on the young person's prior attainment.

<http://www.realisefutures.org/> - Realise Futures offer a Supported Employment Service for those who are 18 years old and above. To see if you are eligible please call the enquiry line on: **0345 6037630**. If you are known to the social care team and have a social worker they can make contact or undertake a referral for you. If you are not known to the social care team you may still be eligible but this will be determined by the Specialist Team who will need to ask you some questions. Even if you are not eligible you can still get help from your local job centre: **0800 055 668808**.

## CV WRITING AND INTERVIEW SKILLS

<http://www.sign-post.info/> Help with Creating a CV, Completing application forms, writing covering letters, Improving interview skills, Information Advice & Guidance on careers and educational opportunities. All services are available free for residents of Colchester and Tendring. To book your appointment call: **01206 861800** (Signpost Colchester - 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, The Library, Hawthorn Avenue, Greenstead, CO4 3QE ), **01255 688683** (Signpost Tendring - Unit 5, Jaywick Enterprise Centre, Lotus Way, Jaywick, Clacton-on-Sea, CO15 2LU).

[www.alec.co.uk](http://www.alec.co.uk) - easy to use site, with lots of hints and tips about interview skills and getting the most from your CV with sample CV's and covering letters to view.

[www.jobcentreguide.co.uk](http://www.jobcentreguide.co.uk) - independent guide to Job Centre services, job hunting, CV advice and interview tips.

## JOB HUNTING

[www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk](http://www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk)

[www.linkedin.com](http://www.linkedin.com) - A social networking site designed specifically for the business community.

[www.agencycentral.co.uk](http://www.agencycentral.co.uk) - The UK recruitment agency directory.

[www.yell.com](http://www.yell.com) - Useful for finding groups of employers and contact details for applying speculatively.

[www.essexchronicle.co.uk/jobs](http://www.essexchronicle.co.uk/jobs) Search for jobs in Essex.

[www.workingforessex.com](http://www.workingforessex.com) - Public sector jobs in Essex.

There are many sites that will assist you seeking employment, these are just a few, and often you will need to upload your CV so potential employers can view it:

[www.topjobs.co.uk](http://www.topjobs.co.uk)

[www.jobsinessex.com](http://www.jobsinessex.com)

<http://www.fish4.co.uk/>

[www.totaljobs.com](http://www.totaljobs.com)

[www.monster.com](http://www.monster.com)

[www.opendoorsmedia.co.uk](http://www.opendoorsmedia.co.uk)

[www.reed.co.uk](http://www.reed.co.uk)

[www.jobserve.com](http://www.jobserve.com)

[www.careerbuilder.co.uk](http://www.careerbuilder.co.uk)

[www.superjob.co.uk](http://www.superjob.co.uk)

[www.jobsgopublic.com](http://www.jobsgopublic.com)

<https://www.gov.uk/jobsearch> The job search website for the Job Centre Plus.

## SPECIFIC CAREER SITES

[www.citb.co.uk](http://www.citb.co.uk) - Construction industry.

<http://www.cscs.uk.com/> - The official site for the Construction Skills Certification Scheme.

[www.assetskills.org](http://www.assetskills.org) - Property, facilities management, cleaning and parking sector.

[www.constructor.co.uk](http://www.constructor.co.uk) - Construction industry Job site.

[www.sciencebuddies.org](http://www.sciencebuddies.org) - Over 100 profiles on science based careers.

[www.futuremorph.org](http://www.futuremorph.org) - Science Councils careers website shows you where studying science, maths, technology and engineering can lead you.

[www.wherestemcantakeyou.co.uk](http://www.wherestemcantakeyou.co.uk) - STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

[www.mathscareers.org.uk](http://www.mathscareers.org.uk) - Careers that use Maths, includes teachers' resources.

[www.semta.org.uk](http://www.semta.org.uk) - UK advanced manufacturing and engineering industry: aerospace and defence, automotive, marine, metals and electronics.

[www.army.mod.uk](http://www.army.mod.uk) Army Careers Centre (Ipswich): **01473 255541** (Chelmsford): **01245 355925**

[www.raf.mod.uk](http://www.raf.mod.uk) - 'Royal Air Force' Site.

[www.royalnavy.mod.uk/](http://www.royalnavy.mod.uk/) Royal Navy Site.

[www.careersatsea.org](http://www.careersatsea.org) - The Merchant Navy is the UK's commercial shipping industry.

[www.fireservice.co.uk/recruitment](http://www.fireservice.co.uk/recruitment) - Fire and Rescue recruitment with information on how to join and the physical and psychological tests required.

[www.nhscareers.nhs.uk/detailed/careers-in-the-ambulance-service/](http://www.nhscareers.nhs.uk/detailed/careers-in-the-ambulance-service/) - Ambulance Service.

[www.essex.police.uk/recruitment](http://www.essex.police.uk/recruitment) - Police.

[www.jobs.nhs.uk/](http://www.jobs.nhs.uk/) - NHS Jobs.

[www.stepintothenhhs.nhs.uk](http://www.stepintothenhhs.nhs.uk) - To support students seeking work experience in the NHS.

[www.ukcat.ac.uk](http://www.ukcat.ac.uk) - Medical and Dental school admissions tests

[www.pulsejobs.com](http://www.pulsejobs.com) - Support work and social care.

[www.cypnowjobs.co.uk](http://www.cypnowjobs.co.uk) - Specialist site for childcare professionals at all stages of their career.

[www.cache.org.uk](http://www.cache.org.uk) - Childcare.

[www.skillsforcare.org.uk](http://www.skillsforcare.org.uk) - Social care sector.

[www.salonjobseeker.com](http://www.salonjobseeker.com) - Hairdressing and beauty careers.

[www.artsculturemediajobs.com](http://www.artsculturemediajobs.com) - A job website for creative people.

[www.creativeskillset.org](http://www.creativeskillset.org) - Sector Skills Council for the creative and media industries.

[www.ribaappointments.com](http://www.ribaappointments.com) - Architect.

[www.designjobs.co.uk](http://www.designjobs.co.uk) - Design.

[www.writersandartists.co.uk](http://www.writersandartists.co.uk) - Artists and writers.

[www.artsjobs.org.uk/](http://www.artsjobs.org.uk/) - Arts Council England's news and jobs within the Arts sector.

[www.ccskills.org.uk/careers/advice](http://www.ccskills.org.uk/careers/advice) - Humanities/Art & Design.

[www.bbc.co.uk/careers](http://www.bbc.co.uk/careers) - 'British Broadcasting Company' offers a variety of jobs and careers.

[www.holdthefrontpage.co.uk](http://www.holdthefrontpage.co.uk) - Journalism news and jobs.

[www.yearoutdrama.co.uk](http://www.yearoutdrama.co.uk) - Drama.

[www.nyt.org.uk](http://www.nyt.org.uk) - National Youth Theatre.

[www.thebackstagecentre.com](http://www.thebackstagecentre.com) - A production and rehearsal venue located in Purfleet, Essex with opportunities for work experience and courses.

[www.rgs.org](http://www.rgs.org) - Royal Geographical Society.

[www.geography.org.uk/resources/careers](http://www.geography.org.uk/resources/careers)

[www.animal-job.co.uk](http://www.animal-job.co.uk)

[www.brs.org.uk](http://www.brs.org.uk) - British Racing School.

[www.lantra.co.uk](http://www.lantra.co.uk) - Routes into agriculture, horticulture, animal and environmental sectors.

[www.euskills.co.uk](http://www.euskills.co.uk) - Guidance on finding a career within the energy and utility industries.

[www.hcareers.com](http://www.hcareers.com) - Hospitality.

[www.instituteofhospitality.org](http://www.instituteofhospitality.org) - Hospitality.

[www.bps.ac.uk](http://www.bps.ac.uk) British Pharmacological Society.

[www.abpicareers.org.uk](http://www.abpicareers.org.uk) - Pharmaceutical Industry trade Association website.

[www.thinkpowersector.co.uk](http://www.thinkpowersector.co.uk)

[www.renewableuk.com](http://www.renewableuk.com) - Renewable energy sector eg. wind power.

[www.careers-in-sport.co.uk](http://www.careers-in-sport.co.uk)

[www.bases.org.uk](http://www.bases.org.uk) - Includes sport science careers.

[www.jobswithballs.com](http://www.jobswithballs.com)

[www.leisurejobs.com](http://www.leisurejobs.com)

[www.uksport.gov.uk](http://www.uksport.gov.uk)

[www.prospects.ac.uk/using\\_your\\_language\\_skills.htm](http://www.prospects.ac.uk/using_your_language_skills.htm)

[www.bps.org.uk](http://www.bps.org.uk) - British Psychology Society.

[www.careersinpsychology.co.uk/related-fields-category.htm](http://www.careersinpsychology.co.uk/related-fields-category.htm)

[www.totallylegal.com](http://www.totallylegal.com) - Legal.

[www.directions.org.uk](http://www.directions.org.uk) - Financial services sector.

[www.simplymarketingjobs.co.uk](http://www.simplymarketingjobs.co.uk) - Marketing.

[www.efinancialcareers.co.uk](http://www.efinancialcareers.co.uk) - Banking.

[www.directions.org.uk](http://www.directions.org.uk) - Finance.

[www.civilservice.gov.uk](http://www.civilservice.gov.uk) - Civil service.

[www.brandrepublic.com](http://www.brandrepublic.com) - Events, marketing, advertising, PR.

[www.charityjob.co.uk](http://www.charityjob.co.uk) - Charity.

[www.lgjobs.com](http://www.lgjobs.com) - Local government jobs.

[www.gradcracker.co.uk](http://www.gradcracker.co.uk) - Graduates.

[www.careersthathmove.co.uk](http://www.careersthathmove.co.uk) - Passenger transport and travel sectors.

[www.people1st.co.uk](http://www.people1st.co.uk) - Hospitality, passenger transport, travel and tourism sectors.

## **PART-TIME AND SEASONAL JOBS**

<http://www.fish4.co.uk/>

[www.seasonworkers.com/summerjobs](http://www.seasonworkers.com/summerjobs)

[www.amber-jobs.co.uk/ksoutheast-seasonal\\_christmas\\_essex.htm](http://www.amber-jobs.co.uk/ksoutheast-seasonal_christmas_essex.htm)

[www.resortjobs.co.uk](http://www.resortjobs.co.uk) - Summer jobs in the UK.

[www.ukjobsnet.com/part-time-jobs-in-essex](http://www.ukjobsnet.com/part-time-jobs-in-essex)

## **OVERSEAS**

[www.ec.europa.eu/youreurope/citizens/index\\_en.htm](http://www.ec.europa.eu/youreurope/citizens/index_en.htm) - Help and advice on your work, life and travel in Europe.

[www.holidaybreakjobs.com](http://www.holidaybreakjobs.com) - Seasonal jobs abroad.

[www.campamerica.co.uk](http://www.campamerica.co.uk) - Jobs for young people all over USA.

[www.bunac.org](http://www.bunac.org) - Working adventures worldwide have been helping young people work and volunteer abroad since 1962.

## **SELF EMPLOYMENT/ STARTING A BUSINESS**

[www.shell-livewire.org](http://www.shell-livewire.org) and [www.princes-trust.org.uk](http://www.princes-trust.org.uk) - Self-employment information and case studies.

[www.startups.co.uk/young-entrepreneurs\\_1](http://www.startups.co.uk/young-entrepreneurs_1) - Looks at what it's like to start a business while you're young and has details on the various support networks available to young entrepreneurs.

[http://www.adviceguide.org.uk/england/work\\_e/work\\_self-employed\\_or\\_looking\\_for\\_work\\_e/self-employment\\_checklist.htm](http://www.adviceguide.org.uk/england/work_e/work_self-employed_or_looking_for_work_e/self-employment_checklist.htm) - Citizens Advice Bureau useful checklist for those considering self-employment.

## **VOLUNTEERING**

<http://volunteerchampions.csv.org.uk/> Supported volunteering for people with learning difficulties/disabilities and social club.

[www.vinspired.com](http://www.vinspired.com) - Connects 14- 25 year olds with volunteering opportunities in England.

[www.youthnet.org](http://www.youthnet.org) - UK volunteering website for young people aged 16-25.

<https://www.ncvo.org.uk/ncvo-volunteering>

[www.volunteermatch.org](http://www.volunteermatch.org)

[www.do-it.org.uk](http://www.do-it.org.uk)

## **HIGHER EDUCATION**

[www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com) - Organisation responsible for managing applications to Higher Education courses in the UK, incorporating both a Students and Parents comprehensive guide.

[www.bestcourse4me.com](http://www.bestcourse4me.com) - Independent and free to use, delivers important and impartial data that will help your students choose the right course at the right university.

[www.prospects.ac.uk/careers](http://www.prospects.ac.uk/careers) - Lots of careers advice for graduate destinations and jobs.

[www.fulbright.co.uk](http://www.fulbright.co.uk) - Fulbright Commission was set up to promote educational exchange between the US and UK and provides information about studying in the USA for British students.

<https://www.gov.uk/student-finance> - Student Finance England is a service allowing full-time higher education students from England to apply for finance online.

[www.insidecareers.co.uk](http://www.insidecareers.co.uk)

[www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/](http://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/)

[www.gradcracker.co.uk](http://www.gradcracker.co.uk) For Engineering and Technology students.

[www.nus.org.uk/](http://www.nus.org.uk/) -National Union of Students.

[www.opendays.com](http://www.opendays.com) - The University and College open day directory.

## **FINANCE**

[www.gov.uk/1619-bursary-fund](http://www.gov.uk/1619-bursary-fund) - Government guidance about colleges' 16-19 bursaries.

[www.gov.uk/studentfinance](http://www.gov.uk/studentfinance) - To complete your student finance application and apply for Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA).

[www.gov.uk/disabled-students-allowances-dsas](http://www.gov.uk/disabled-students-allowances-dsas) - Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA) is for students in Higher Education and if you fit the eligibility you are not required to pay this allowance back.

Pay and Work Rights Helpline: ACAS: 03001 231100 [www.acas.org.uk/helplineonline](http://www.acas.org.uk/helplineonline)

**Child Benefit Extension** - If you are a school leaver and unemployed and do not have a course or training programme to start in September, the parent/carer may be entitled to claim Child Benefit Extension. There is a time limit in which you can register your claim. For more information contact 03002 003100 or visit [www.gov.uk/child-benefit-16-19](http://www.gov.uk/child-benefit-16-19)