

FUNDING FEE POLICY

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Introduction

MI ComputSolutions (MI Skills Development Centre) works in partnership with various lead providers and Local Authorities' (LA) Adult Learning Services. We offer both accredited and non-accredited courses that are funded by the LA's which receive grant funding from the Greater London Authority (GLA) Adult Education Budget (AEB) and through our direct GLA AEB Funding, we also offer accredited courses at Level 3 through our direct GLA FCfJ funding. We also offer accredited courses that are financed by the ESFA/Student Loan Company England.

You will be fully supported in completing your application and you will be made completely aware of fees that you may have to pay for your course before you enroll on our courses.

Non-accredited Course Fees

Our non-accredited Local Authorities Grant funded courses are free to those who are claiming benefits, Economically Inactive and want to be employed, Asylum Seekers and Refugees or those whose total household income is less than £25,642.50 per annum or learners that receive other state benefits and earning less than 16 times the minimum wage per week or earning less than £617 per month as a sole claimant and £988 as a joint claimant; or unemployed, not on any benefits and want to be employed and living in any relevant London Borough. If you do not fall into these categories, there may be a small fee to pay.

Accredited Course Fees

Our accredited course fees may be free or subsidised by the ESFA/ GLA for those living in any London borough and if you meet certain criteria. We will be able to confirm whether or not you qualify before enrolment on our courses.

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Some of the accredited courses on Level 3 and above may not be funded under AEB contract. These may be financed by GLA FCfJ or can be financed by ESFA/Student Loan Company England.

Subsidised Fees

You will qualify for subsidised fees if you are aged 19 years (as at 31st August 2024) or over and:

- You are a UK national or other person who have a right of abode, such as residents of Crown Dependencies (Channel Islands and Isle of Man), and their family members in the UK.
- If you are not a UK national, you have permission to stay in the UK for 12+ months
- EEA and Swiss nationals who have obtained either pre-settled or settled status under EUSS.
- Irish citizens who have been ordinarily resident in the UK and Islands and/or Ireland.
- Any other individuals identified as eligible by GLA AEB Funding guide, eligibility criteria.

If you do not meet the above criteria, you may have to pay a higher, non-subsidised fee and will not qualify for benefit claimant discounts. If you think you may fall into this category, please contact the Centre for more information to confirm your fee.

Eligibility to funding does not give you the right to funding. Circumstances such as previous achievement, economic status, age and so on need to be taken into account.

How Much to Pay?

If you do not qualify for full funding, you may be eligible to a subsidy of 50% of the basic course fee (co-funded), dependent on your circumstances.

If you require any further advice on our course fees, instalment payments, eligibility for discounts, or other course queries our IAG Course Advisors or Finance Team at our Centre will be happy to help or you can email us at training@micomputsolutions.co.uk or Finance@micomputsolutions.co.uk

Additional Fees

Depending on your circumstance, you may require to pay additional fees for specialist materials and technical support. This information will be provided during your enrolment stage.

Refund Policy

Unless there are exceptional circumstances, course fees will only be refunded in the following situations:

- if the course is cancelled or closed prematurely by **MI Skills Development Centre**
- if the date and time are altered and you have to withdraw as a result

Refunds will not be granted if you choose to withdraw part way through the course.

Advice and Information

Should you have any queries on fees or course information, including deciding on which course/level is right for you, please contact our IAG/Course Advisers on 0207 501 6450 or email us at training@micomputsolutions.co.uk