

Financing adult learning database

Name of the instrument - Local language	Skills Development Scotland - Individual Learning Accounts
Name of the instrument - English translation	Skills Development Scotland - Individual Learning Accounts (ILA)
Scheme ID	214
Country	 United Kingdom
Reporting year	2020
Type of instrument	Grant for individuals
Sub-type of instrument	Cost-related support
Type of entry	Single instrument
Short description	Individuals may apply for the grant to finance their learning/training if they are not undertaking any secondary, further, or higher education, do not have a degree or above, and have an income of GBP 22 000 (approx. EUR 26 133) a year or less or are on benefits. The eligible activities include education and training delivered by 460 approved learning providers. The maximum funding individual may receive amounts to GBP 200 (approx. EUR 238). The same applicant can re-use the grant once in each calendar year.
Level of operation	Part of the country
Name of a part of the country	Scotland
Name of the region (for regional instruments)	Not applicable
Name of the sector (for sectoral instruments)	Not applicable
Relevance	Key instrument
Legal basis	Not applicable
Objective(s) and target(s)	To support individuals over 16 to assist them with the costs of learning and training.

Year of implementation	2000
Year of latest amendment	2017
Operation/management	Skills Development Scotland are in charge of managing applications for the ILA scheme and funding.
Eligible group(s)	Those not conducting any secondary/further or higher education, hold a degree or above, are in training through the employability fund or Modern Apprenticeships or the Community Jobs Scotland programme and have an income of higher than GBP 22 000 (approx. EUR 26 133) a year. Eligibility is based on applicants being: - Aged 16 or over; - Not in education or involved in any other SDS funded programme; - Unemployed and looking to get back into work; - Employed, earning less than GBP 22 000 (approx. EUR 26 133) per year and looking to progress in or change job; - Resident in Scotland.
Group(s) with preferential treatment	No preferential treatment
Education and training eligible	There is a list of 460 approved learning providers to deliver training to be funded through the ILA model.
Source of financing and collection mechanism	Scottish Government (via Skills Development Scotland)
Financing formula and allocation mechanisms	The eligible learners receive GBP 200 (approx. EUR 238) towards the costs of learning or training. Allocation: the money is transferred to learner's bank account before he/she undertakes learning activity (advance payment).
Eligible costs	Fees only
Volumes of funding	Estimated budget:2019/20: GBP 3 842 499 (approx. EUR 4 511 034)2018/19: GBP 4 343 200 (approx. EUR 4 872 609)2017/18: GBP 3 096 400 (approx. EUR 3 506 960)
Beneficiaries/take up	19/20: 19 212 18/19: 21 716 17/18: 15 482
Organisation responsible for monitoring/evaluation	Skills Development Scotland
Most relevant webpage - in English	http://www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk/our-services/individual-lear...
Most relevant webpage - local language	https://www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk/what-we-do/employability-sk...
Recent changes	2017 - instrument established. Individual Learning Accounts changed to Individual Training Accounts. The ITA supported courses result in an industry recognised qualification (not the case for ILAs). The ITA is now delivered by Skills Development Scotland. Recent changes in response to COVID-19

	No changes
Sources	http://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/content/ila-scotland-funding-for-you
	http://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/content/ila-eligibility-checklist
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