

STUDENT BENEFITS TRAINING, INFORMATION AND ADVICE

DO YOU

- ✓ **Support young people in education?**
- ✓ **Work with people thinking about doing a course, part-time or full-time?**
- ✓ **Deal with questions about financial support in college or university?**

Then this information is for you and your colleagues. We run training courses, provide information and offer advice on the social security benefits and tax credits that can be claimed by people in education.

TRAINING COURSES

- ✓ **Students and benefits – the basics** (*half day*)

*We can offer this introductory course on your premises at the special price of £250.**

(to train up to 20 staff)

This new half-day course provides a basic overview of social security benefits and tax credits, and which further and higher education students might be able to claim them. The course is for student advisers and other frontline workers who are new to benefits.

The course covers:

- A brief overview of benefits and tax credits
- Which groups of students can claim benefits and tax credits
- The impact of student support on benefits
- Signposting students for help with benefits enquiries

Very informative and easy to understand

Knowledgeable and professional

Incredibly helpful

Or you can choose one of our more in-depth courses.

- ✓ **Universal credit and students** (*standard; one day*)
- ✓ **Introduction to benefits for student advisers** (*introductory; one day*)
- ✓ **Students and benefits – eligibility** (*standard; one day*)
- ✓ **Benefits for disabled students** (*standard; half day*)
- ✓ **Students and benefits - an update** (*experienced; half day*)

We can organise any of these courses at your workplace or at a venue near you, and most are already planned in our main training programme.

Visit www.cpag.org.uk/scotland/training for more information about our courses and to check which one is right for you.

(*plus tutor's expenses)

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INFORMATION RESOURCES

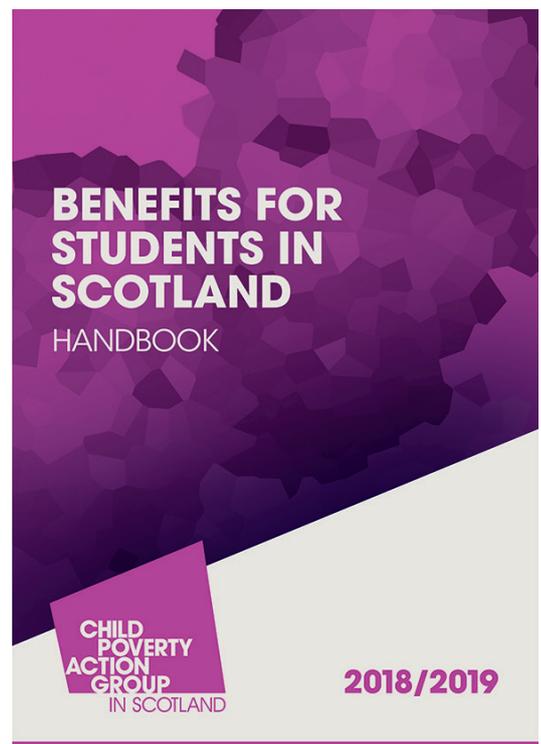
We produce an updated and revised edition of the *Benefits for Students in Scotland* handbook each academic year. This handbook is a comprehensive guide to benefits and tax credits for students in Scotland, explaining benefit rules for students as well as how Scottish loans and grants are treated under the social security system.

Buy it from www.shop.cpag.org.uk/books or call **020 7837 7979** to order by phone.

You can view it online for free at:
www.onlinepublications.cpag.org.uk

Our quarterly **e-bulletin** on benefits for students keeps you up-to-date with changes in benefits that may affect students. We also produce a range of **factsheets** on different aspects of benefits for students in Scotland.

You can download factsheets and sign up for the ebulletin at www.cpag.org.uk/scotland/students-and-benefits-project



ADVICE LINE

Our **advice line for advisers** offers free, independent, expert, up-to-date advice and information on all aspects of the benefits and tax credits systems. It is for welfare rights advisers, frontline workers, student advisers, social workers, housing workers, solicitors and other advisers in Scotland.

 **Tel:** 0141 552 0552
(Monday to Thursday 10am - 4.00pm; Friday 10am - 12 noon)

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