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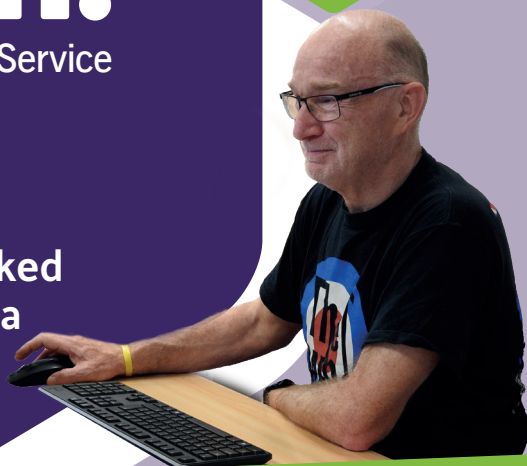


GoLearn!

Leicestershire Adult Learning Service

2025-2026

All our courses can be booked
online, so you can enrol at a
time to suit you!



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Welcome to GoLearn! 2025-26

After months of planning and preparation, it gives me great joy to share with you our new adult learning brochure.

As a service, our mission is 'To engage adults into learning and support them develop a range of knowledge, skills and behaviours that promote access to opportunity and wellbeing.' Whether your goal this year is to gain an essential qualification, or you are learning a new skill for your own personal development, we are delighted to support you with your journey.

Courses for 2025/26 include:

- Digital Skills courses helping you with the basic skills to get you up and running with a computer.
- CV Writing and Application Forms courses to show you how to shine when applying for jobs.
- Maths and English Functional Skills courses aimed at giving you the skills you need to get into and progress in employment.
- NEW Better Mental Health Workshops including: 'Sleep, Burnout and Self-Care', 'Social Media and Wellbeing'.

As you browse this year's brochure, we hope you enjoy reading our learner stories, and that you are inspired to take a leap into learning.

Best wishes,

Paul Fleming, GoLearn! Head of Service



Discover GoLearn! Online

Finding your course and applying online is now even easier with our website.

Browse www.GoLearnLeicestershire.ac.uk and discover 100s of online and face-to-face courses in venues across the county with our new and improved course search. Scan the QR code to start browsing.



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We love to hear about how you are getting on with your courses and our Facebook page is a great way for you to keep in touch with us and give feedback.

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If you are in need any further information or advice on choosing the correct course please contact us on **FREEPHONE 0800 988 0308** where a member of our friendly team will be happy to help.

Digital Skills

Digital Skills are the gateway to life and work. Whether you are a complete beginner or want to grow your skills, we have something for you!

Our courses for adults aged 19+ can give you both recognised qualifications that employers are looking for, and useful skills for everyday life.

"The course has been really helpful and valuable for me, because I learnt lot of things which I now use in my daily work. I liked that I could bring in outside ideas and projects."



What's on offer...

- Digital Skills for Beginners
- Digital Skills for Speakers of Other Languages
- Digital Functional Skills (Entry and Level 1)
- Certificate in Digital Skills (Level 1 and Level 2)
- Website Development (WordPress)
- Website Development: E-Commerce (WordPress)
- We offer training for businesses and organisations. (Contact us for more details.)



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Employability

Our Employability courses are specially designed to support anyone wishing to gain skills that will improve your employment opportunities.

From CV Writing courses to formal qualifications, we have courses to get you where you want to be.

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What's on offer...

- ◆ CV Writing
- ◆ Application Forms
- ◆ Work Skills for Speakers of Other Languages
- ◆ Customer Service Skills for Speakers of Other Languages
- ◆ Level 1 Award in Preparing to Work in Schools
- ◆ Level 1 Award in Mental Health Awareness
- ◆ Level 3 Emergency First Aid at Work
- ◆ Level 3 Award in Education and Training
- ◆ Level 3 Preparing to Work in Home Based Childcare
- ◆ We can offer support for employees going through organisational change.
(Contact us for more details.)



English and Maths

At GoLearn, we will provide you with the support you need to achieve your goals, whatever your current level, we have a course for you.

Whether you are helping with your child's homework, calculating your household budget, or want to improve your writing, we have something to support everyone.

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What's on offer...

- English and Maths Functional Skills Preparation Courses
- English Functional Skills (Entry, Level 1, or Level 2)
- Maths Functional Skills (Entry, Level 1, or Level 2)

LEARNER VOICE

Meet Becs

Rebecca (Becs) is 35 years old, from Loughborough and started with GoLearn in 2022. At primary school Becs was diagnosed with dyslexia and found school very hard. She has worked in lots of different jobs, including retail, part time in a kennels and then she started to work at a primary school, first as a cleaner and now also as a lunchtime supervisor. Becs is studying both English and Maths.



"After experiencing [issues] at work I decided to return to learning for my own benefit. I wanted to prove to myself and others what I can do. [...] I hope to become a Learning Support Assistant. It really has given me a goal in life. I also now have a better understanding of both subjects, which has allowed me to understand and support my children with their homework. If someone was to ask me whether they should take an adult learning course, I'd say go for it; it will increase your confidence."

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)

Whether you are a complete beginner or just need that extra help to make you confident in speaking, reading and writing English, our courses for adults aged 19+ will make you more confident, skilled and independent.

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What's on offer...

- English for Speakers of Other Languages (Pre-Entry, Entry, Level 1 and Level 2)
- ESOL Summer School Courses (June 2026)
- Driving Theory Test for Speakers of Other Languages
- Digital Skills for Speakers of Other Languages
- Work Skills for Speakers of Other Languages
- Customer Service Skills for Speakers of Other Languages
- Study Skills for Speakers of Other Languages
- Wellbeing for Speakers of Other Languages

LEARNER VOICE

Mandy (Sze Man Wong) moved to the UK in March 2023 from Hong Kong, joined one of our ESOL courses the following October and later went on to complete an ESOL Work Skills course at Oadby Library. Mandy had this to say about her tutor and her learning:

"[...] I feel more confident in using English in daily life now even in finding a job. Additionally, [tutor] recommended us to join the Work Skills class and the sessions on writing CVs, cover letters and preparing for interview questions were very helpful. Previously, I have applied for many jobs without receiving any interview opportunities, however, I received my first interview invitation a few days ago. Although the result is uncertain, it still encourages me a lot."

Visit us online to hear Mandy's story :



Learning for Independence

We offer a wide range of courses for adults with learning disabilities, providing opportunities for individuals to develop skills and knowledge.

Our aim is for learners to become more confident and independent in their everyday lives and may continue further learning, move on to volunteering or employment after attending courses.

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What's on offer...

- ◆ Health and Wellbeing
- ◆ Work and Volunteering
- ◆ Independence
- ◆ Creativity
- ◆ Engaging with the Community
- ◆ Numeracy
- ◆ Communication
- ◆ Literacy

Accredited and non-accredited course options are available.

MEET OUR PARTNERS

WHM Work Connections

WHM Work Connections is a private care provider for adults with learning difficulties and/or disabilities whose aim is to increase their service users' independence and work skills.

This year GoLearn delivered an accessible Level 2 Food Safety course at the WHM café at Six Acres Nursery.

We are delighted to say that all learners have achieved both an AIM Qualifications and Assessment Group Skills for Living and Work qualification and a Food Safety Level 2 qualification.

“The course was fun and educational and was explained to our workmates with care, consideration, and patience.

All our workmates have some additional needs and all passed the course which is fantastic. We would like to thank Mel for being a great advocate and role model to the workmates.”

Angie Whitmore (Support Worker at WHM Work Connections)

Family Learning

Family Learning classes are taught at libraries, Family Hubs, schools, online and in the community. Courses are designed to help you support your child's education journey, by learning how your child is taught in school while you also develop your own knowledge.

Some courses are delivered as joint learning where you can learn alongside your child, while other courses are for adults only. All Family Learning courses are FREE and are specially designed for those who do not currently hold a Level 2 qualification.

We can offer support for schools and other local organisations who work with children - contact us for more information.



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What's on...

- ◆ Storytime Fun
- ◆ Story Boxes & Story Sacks
- ◆ Family Learning English for Speakers of Other Languages
- ◆ Phonics
- ◆ Family English and Maths
- ◆ NEW Ready to Read
- ◆ Early Years Learning
- ◆ Sensory Play
- ◆ Baby Sign
- ◆ School Readiness
- ◆ Toddler Talk
- ◆ Song in a Sack
- ◆ Family First Aid and Home Safety
- ◆ Social Media Safety
- ◆ Family Social and Emotional Wellbeing
- ◆ Food and Nutrition
- ◆ Level 1 Award in Preparing to Work in Schools
- ◆ Level 1 Award in Mental Health Awareness
- ◆ A wide range of seasonal workshops in venues across the county



Better Mental Health

FREE
courses

Better Mental Health courses are designed to give you the opportunity to develop skills and knowledge that can be used to support good mental health.

Whether you would like to improve your mental wellbeing, maintain good mental wellbeing, or learn something new about mental health, we have a course to suit you. Your individual wellbeing goals will be included in a personalised learning plan that is tailored to you.

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What's on offer...

- Learning for Confidence and Better Mental Health
- Mindfulness for Life
- NEW Mindfulness: Finding Peace in a Frantic World
- NEW Mindfulness for Relaxation
- NEW 5 Ways to Wellbeing
- Coping with Change
- Sleep and Wellbeing
- Introduction to Mindfulness
- Connecting with Nature
- NEW Stress, Burnout and Self-Care
- NEW Social Media and Wellbeing

Meet Shaun

Shaun attended the GoLearn Learning for Confidence and Better Mental Health course in the spring of 2023. Shaun was apprehensive at first, but he soon started to demonstrate his confidence in talking to others in the group. Midway through the course Shaun disclosed his challenges with writing and was advised to consider the idea of a Functional Skills course. Shaun agreed to give it a go, he started to attend and got on well with the Tutor.

“The Learning for Confidence and Better Mental Health course gave me a feeling of – perhaps I can do this.”

Shaun has now achieved his Entry 3 English and Level 2 Maths, and in September 2024 progressed onto both a Level 1 English Functional Skills and Maths GCSE.

Learning for Wellbeing

(Arts and Fitness)

Discover a new passion for creativity or improve your health this year by taking part in a course from the Learning for Wellbeing programme.

On our courses, you will find a like-minded supportive community, you will grow in confidence, make new friendships and a lot more.

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What we offer:

- **Arts courses** including Botanical Drawing, Watercolour, Acrylics, alongside mixed media courses at Introduction, Intermediate and Independent levels.
- **Pottery and Glass courses** including Stained Glass and Fused Glass.
- **Dance and Fitness courses** including Ballet, Tap, Yoga (inc. Seated Yoga), and Relaxation Workshops.
- **Creative Writing and Film courses** celebrate and explore the majesty of creative media. From novel writing, to exploring the golden age of cinema.
- **A wide array of special interest courses** including Cookery, Astronomy, Photography (Digital), Novel Writing, Drama and Acting, film studies, and more.



Languages

Whether through technology, media, or travel – we are all becoming increasingly connected as global citizens.

Learning a new language provides you with a new appreciation of diverse cultures and a new skill that can be used for business, work, holidays, and family life.

We offer five different languages in total with level progression from Entry 3 (introductory courses for complete beginners) through to Level 2 (upper intermediate courses).



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What's on...

- French
- Italian
- German
- Spanish
- Portuguese



LEARNER VOICE

Meet Amy

Amy and her partner Matt wanted to be able to communicate in Spanish when visiting Valencia for a holiday in summer 2024. They completed an introductory Spanish course, followed by one of our Moving On courses.

"I have been so surprised at how quickly I feel my Spanish has improved and how confident I felt giving it a go whilst we were in Valencia earlier in the year. Not only was I confidently ordering food and requesting a table (never mind the cheeky agua de Valencia), but Luisa's personal recommendations for the trip were fantastic and we thoroughly enjoyed the amazing city! Luisa was passionate and invested throughout the classes, and I am really looking forward to Year 2!"



British Sign Language (BSL)

British Sign Language (BSL) is used by approximately 150,000 people in the UK.

Learning BSL is a powerful skill which allows you to communicate with Deaf colleagues, friends and family.

Our BSL courses are taught largely by a team of Deaf tutors, and we make sure to blend the learning of signs with Deaf Awareness as well as some knowledge of Deaf history and culture.



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What's on offer...

- ◆ British Sign Language - Beginners 1
- ◆ British Sign Language - Beginners 2
- ◆ BSL and Deaf Awareness training for businesses and organisations. (Contact us for more details.)

Apprenticeships and Work Based Learning

Our team works with employers of all sizes to design training programmes to meet organisational needs.

We tailor programmes around job roles and skills gaps to make the training relevant to your occupational area, within the scope of the chosen apprenticeship standard or standalone qualification.



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LEARNER VOICE

Meet Hannah

Hannah, a payroll manager at Northumberland County Council, completed the Level 3 Payroll Administrator Apprenticeship in 2023, achieving a Distinction.



“I’ve loved doing the apprenticeship. The support from the team has been superb. I’m learning in every session, and I’m able to start using what I’ve learned in my day-to-day job. [...] The group sessions have allowed us to talk in depth about the practical side of payroll, sharing best practice techniques, ideas, and views with peers from across the country.”

Eager to support her entire team, Hannah went on to enrol nine of her team from Northumberland on the Level 3 standard. Hannah also completed the Level 5 standard in 2025 receiving a second Distinction.

Visit us online to read
Hannah’s full story



What we offer:

- Adult Care Worker Apprenticeship (ST0005)
- Business Administrator Apprenticeship (ST0070)
- Customer Service Practitioner Apprenticeship (ST0072)
- Early Years Educator Apprenticeship (ST0135)
- Improvement Technician Apprenticeship (ST0193)
- Payroll Administrator Apprenticeship (ST0073)
- Payroll Assistant Manager Apprenticeship (ST0869)
- Teaching Assistant Apprenticeship (ST0454)
- Specialist Teaching Assistant Apprenticeship (ST1414)
- Team Leader or Supervisor Apprenticeship (ST0384)
- Level 3 Emergency First Aid at Work
- Level 3 Award in Education and Training
- Level 3 Preparing to Work in Home Based Childcare

Fees and Finance

Finance should never be a barrier to learning and if you think you would be unable to enrol on one of our courses due to the cost, we have several options to support you.

If you are in receipt of **Job Seeker's Allowance, Employment and Support Allowance and Universal Credit**, you could be entitled to enrol on your course for **FREE**.

If your **earnings are less than £25,750** you can apply to do an accredited course for **FREE**.

If you are not in receipt of state benefits, but your annual **income is below £27,976.16**, you may be entitled to pay the reduced cost for your course.

If you need support with the cost of studying you can apply for the **Learner Support Fund** which is available to all eligible learners and can reimburse the cost of childcare, travel, exam fees and resources.

If you feel that you might struggle to pay your course fee all at once, you are also able to pay in instalments if the total cost of your course is above £50.

For more detail on the support we can provide to help with costs visit our Financial Support page.

For more
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Our Main Centres

The map below shows our GoLearn! Adult Learning Centres and Suites.

We also offer online and face-to-face courses in local venues, to better help you fit your learning around life and work.



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Local Area Co-ordination



Are you looking to discover more about what is happening in your community?

Local Area Co-ordinators are available in most communities across Leicestershire, supporting people to link with others and connect with local groups, helping residents to make positive changes.

Visit the team online to see what support they can offer to you.



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