



A statement on full and fair additional learning support (ALS) funding

We are calling for properly funded and consistent additional learning support (ALS) funding to support disabled learners to fully access and participate in further and higher education.

We believe in an inclusive education system across the United Kingdom that:

- removes financial barriers to access to further and higher education; and
- is founded on respect for equality and diversity, commitment to the promotion of social inclusion and active opposition to all forms of discrimination.

Additional learning support is important because it helps students with disabilities to study on an equal basis with non-disabled students. We believe that government should, therefore, recognise and meet the extra course costs students can face as a direct result of a disability or specific learning difficulty without financial detriment to the student.