



Does support have to start at the beginning of the year?

Not necessarily, as your tutors will review your work and needs throughout the year:

- If your need is identified before starting college a support package will be put in place to start as soon as possible.
- If your need is identified after you have started College, support will be put in place as soon as possible.
- If your need becomes clear as the year progresses your tutor may refer you to us, or you can come and see us yourself.

Learners who need support need to note on their application forms and declaration forms that they need support or come and talk to central Additional Learning Support

Where can I find you?

The central team is based in L37, which is on the top floor, above the library, next to International.

This team consists of:

Samantha Rooney – Head of ALS

Jemma Holbrook – ALS Officer

Rowena Olden — Specialist Tutor

Lesley Wood – Specialist Tutor

Julie Bell — ALS Administrator

You can also call us on: 01983 550811

Remember

Don't struggle alone, talk to your tutor or visit us. We are here to support you at any time during the year.

▶ Additional Learning Support



What is Additional Learning Support



Who can we help?

Some students need more help with studying because of a difficulty such as:

- ADHD
- Aspergers
- Autism
- Dyscalculia
- Dysgraphia
- Dyslexia
- Dyspraxia
- Hearing/Sight Impairment
- Learning Disability
- Mental Health Support
- Physical disability

How does the College gather evidence of this need?

Evidence of a support need can be taken from:

- EHCP
- College Diagnostic Assessment
- Initial Screening of literacy & numeracy
- Letter from Doctor
- You can refer yourself for support and the ALS team can have a chat with you and assess your needs.

College Diagnostic Assessment - What is this?

It is NOT a test. It looks at areas of strengths and weaknesses and gives some support ideas. It may also advise on exam support such as reader, writer or extra time. A copy of your report will be sent to you at home, your tutor and the exams office.

What support does the College offer?

The College has a team of Learning Support Assistants to help students with the above needs. If there is evidence of a support need, the College can offer support such as:

- Assistive technology/software
- BSL Interpreter/note taker
- Braille
- Exam Support
- In class support - this can be for a few weeks or the whole year
- Mobility Support
- Personal Care Support
- 1:1 support with a specialist tutor - this can be for a few weeks or the whole year