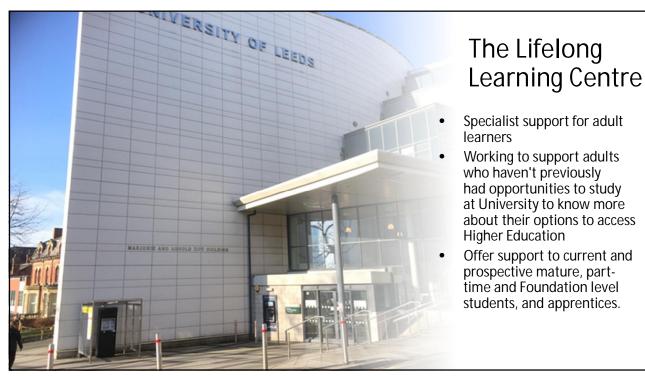
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# Key Messages

You can go to university at any age/stage in your life Universities and colleges welcome adult students from diverse backgrounds

Life experience counts

No 'standard' route for an adult to get into higher education; depends on individual experience and qualifications

Finding out about the finance is crucial



### Community-engaged learning



Negotiated taster sessions on topic useful & relevant to group.

Talks to workers on pathways into HE for adults.

Visits to the university made accessible through help with travel, include lunch & childcare support where possible.

Support community/adult learning organisations where possible through university volunteers & research





### Extended taster courses



Strength-based approach that builds on life experience and skills:

- Taster sessions & HE information
- Participation from current mature students
- 1:1 support
- Impartial advice & guidance
- Help towards travel costs and learning support

Prepare to study: University of Leeds foundation year pathways

Foundation Years progress into a huge range of degrees at the University of Leeds

Full-time foundation years

- Science
- ✤Business
- ✤Social Sciences \*
- Arts and Humanities

Part-time foundation year

Preparation for Higher Education course leading to a degree in the social sciences, arts or healthcare.

\*The Social Sciences Foundation Year is run by the School of Sociology at the University of Leeds.



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## Lifelong Learning Centre Degrees

The Lifelong Learning Centre offers a range of courses designed for adults, including part-time options and flexible entry requirements.

Adult learners' life and work experience is relevant and valued.

#### Subjects include:

- ✤Learning and Teaching with SEND
- Child and Family Studies
- ✤Business Management and Leadership
- Professional Studies a broad, flexible degree for mature students
- Chartered Manager (Degree) Apprenticeship BSc
- Nursing Associate Apprenticeship (Foundation Degree)



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#### **Student Volunteers**

Request university student volunteers with certain skills to support your organisation.

Contact the university's volunteering hub to find out more:

volunteer@leeds.ac.uk.



## LLC social media

- Facebook (adults can also join our Returning to Study FB Group)
- Twitter @LeedsUniLLC
- Instagram leedsunillc
- <u>YouTube</u> (lots of videos on here with adult students talking about their experiences in education)
- LinkedIn

<u>Returning to Study</u> is a Facebook group where LLC staff and adults currently studying at Leeds share useful resources for anyone considering returning to education.

It's a forum for asking questions about what university is like as an adult learner and keeping in touch with others in a similar position.

Feel free to signpost family, friends or any other adults who you know are interested in studying at university!

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