

Support for 16-19 Year Olds Dumfries and Galloway

Lifelong Learning



A service that supports independence, self-confidence and essential skills for life and work. We work with a range of third sector and public sector partners to deliver accredited and non-accredited training which includes, literacy, numeracy, digital, communication, English for Speakers of other Languages (ESOL) and much more. [Lifelong Learning - Dumfries and Galloway Council](#)

Dumfries and Galloway College

Get advice on full-time and part-time courses, Foundation Apprenticeships and Modern Apprenticeships at Dumfries and Galloway College. We have campuses in Dumfries and Stranraer.



W: www.dumgal.ac.uk
E: admissionemail@dumgal.ac.uk

Youth Work Dumfries & Galloway



Youth groups for young people aged 12-25 to develop your confidence and skills for life. Groups and projects in the community, in school and online based on your interests and skills. <https://youthwork.dumgal.gov.uk/>



Better Lives Partnership

Autistic and need support? Better Lives Partnership, Bridge to Employment Project offers a structured programme of training in your area of interest and expertise with work-related skills to prepare you for employment, further education or self-employment. <https://www.betterlivespartnership.org.uk/>

Loreburn Housing Group



Whatever your circumstances, our Help & Advice page can provide you with information on a range of services available to everyone in Dumfries & Galloway.
T: 01387 321 300
E: customerservice@loreburn.org.uk

Department for Work and Pensions (DWP)



Help to understand benefits you are entitled to and what is available to fit your circumstances or those within your household.
T: 0800 328 5644

Developing the Young Workforce (DYW)



Keep up to date with information about local opportunities to help you make informed and ambitious choices about your next steps.
W: www.dyw.scot/dg
E: info@dywdg.co.uk T: 01387 702156

NHS Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)



Are you struggling?
Contact CAMHS for young people and parents. <https://dghscp.co.uk/camhs/>

D&G CAS – Employment Rights & Advice service



Do you have any employment questions?

Employees, workers and small business employers, we're here to help you uphold your Employment Rights at work with advice and practical support. Championing better working lives across the region.

Tel: 0300 303 4321 E: info@dagcas.org



Housing Options

Need help or advice around your Housing Options? Visit our Enhanced Housing Options Portal via the following link:
dandghousingoptions.org.uk/

Threatened with homelessness or currently homeless? We can help and advice – Telephone 030 33 33 3000 or contact us via email:
contact@dumgal.gov.uk

If you find yourself homeless outside office hours or at the weekend, please contact our Emergency Out of Hours Service for advice and assistance on 01387 273660



Youth Enquiry Service

Part of the wider Youth Work Service in D&G for group work and 1-2-1 support for young people aged 12-25. A 7 day per week bletcher chat online with useful information.
<https://youthenquiryservice.org/>

The Usual Place



Do you have additional support needs? Work in a friendly supportive team in a real workplace in Dumfries, building confidence and offering training opportunities in the hospitality sector. Drop in and talk about the opportunities.
<https://www.theusualplace.org/>

Volunteering Matters



We offer support tailored to the individual including action planning, goal setting, barrier removal, vocational activity and employability support.

<https://volunteeringmatters.org.uk/>

SRUC Scotland Rural College

Interested in agriculture and life sciences? Get advice from Scotland's Rural College on full or part time courses or Apprenticeships at the Barony campus.

T: 01387 860251

Skills Development Scotland (SDS)



If you're thinking about your first steps into the world of work, SDS's qualified Careers Advisers are there to provide free and impartial support to help you develop your career management skills - helping you develop the skills and confidence you need to navigate the changes ahead and take advantage of opportunities that arise.

You can access our services in any school or at our centres located in Dumfries and Galloway College campuses (Dumfries and Stranraer), and at a number of community-based locations across Dumfries and Galloway.

You can find out more about our services at www.myworldofwork.co.uk or contact us on 01387 272500 to find out how we can support you locally.



DG Works Employability Pathway Provision

Please note: For the following provision, Participants must meet DG Works eligibility criteria, be registered and actively engaging with employability support.

For further information please contact – DGEmployability@dumgal.gov.uk

Employment Key Workers (EKW)



Employment Key Workers offer 1-2-1 and group work support to individuals looking to move into positive destinations (employment, FE/HE, training). Participants are given a dedicated Key Worker who works with them to identify their goals, plan their next steps and access further employability support with partner agencies.



Participant Discretionary Funding

Participant Discretionary Funding is offered to registered DG Works participants, covering costs for employability progression. Requests must be written, clearly justified, and approved before spending, as requests can be denied.

Participant Travel Support

As part of a participant's employment journey, we realise that they may face travel costs to help them engage with support available on the DG Works pathway. Participant Travel Support offers pre-paid bus passes for employability support, including appointments, training, and work placements, to participants who are registered with DG Works and consistently engaging.

Participant Clothing Support

DG Works offers a £150 Love2Shop online clothing voucher to participants who confirm employment, training, or further education, removing stigma and reluctance to seek support.

This voucher is automatically sent upon outcome recording on Hanlon.

Please note that this is attached to a limited budget, so this funding is not guaranteed.



Participant Driving Lessons

DG Works offers Participant Driving Lessons to clients on the Employability Pathway, addressing barriers to employment. Funding can cover up to 20 lessons, with 10 lessons initially provided if the theory test has been passed. Participants must be actively engaging with employability support to receive this funding.

Cost of Living Assessment



DG Works are proud to be working in partnership with Enable to offer participants a free and confidential cost of living assessment which includes advice around benefits and financial support.

The DG Works Cost of Living Assessment is delivered 121 online or via the phone and includes:

- Checking participants are claiming everything that they are entitled to
 - A better off in work calculation
- Advocacy and support to help challenge decisions

Enterprise Support



Designed for those who are considering self-employment, the programmes are delivered over 6 weeks. They are designed to inspire and give confidence as well as practical knowledge and skills to embark on self-employment or social enterprise.

The 6 weeks will be delivered largely online, with some in-person learning. The in-person portion will be facilitated peer-to-peer learning through collaborative discussions and problem-solving exercises. On completion of the programme, referrals will be made for parents to have continued support from partners, such as Business Gateway or South Of Scotland Enterprise.

Disability engagement and Barrier Removal



Individual support areas include community-based support groups, confidence building, motivation, anxiety management, life skills, digital skills, referrals to specialist support, goal setting, and better off in work calculations, all designed to increase confidence and reduce isolation.



Supported Employment

The support will involve vocational profiling, employer engagement, job matching, better off-in-work calculations, and in-work support and career development. It will help determine aspirations, learning needs, skills, experiences, and job preferences, and provide training and support for personal development. It will also assist with job applications, review job descriptions, and explore funding options.



College Fee Waiver

DG Works are proud to be working in partnership with DG College to offer eligible participants the opportunity to develop new work-related skills. These courses are covered once a client is registered with DG Works. Participants can only access one course within a 12-month period. Please note requests may not be approved - no activity should be started until final approval has been awarded.



A free math tutoring program called Multiply was created to address the demands of ten UK government interventions. It provides recognised Level 5 certifications, online courses, parent-teacher learning, real-world skills courses, budgeting and debt management courses, and basic Functional Maths qualifications.

Preparation for Work

This work preparation program is designed for younger candidates lacking confidence and resilience. It covers everyday skills, job selection, finding a job, and gaining a job, including health and wellbeing, motivation, time management, and personal training.

Steps to Work

The training package offers candidates four online accredited modules relevant to their work choices, enhancing their CV and making it more appealing to employers. Experienced trainers deliver face-to-face workshops on skills, interview techniques, elevator pitches, STAR techniques, team building exercises, and job search techniques.

Skills for Work

This course explores the creation of 'Green Jobs' and their corresponding skills, including time and task management, agility, flexibility, adaptability, green skills, mental toughness, mindset, and character. It also covers real-world examples and brainstorming to prepare candidates for these emerging technical jobs.

Volunteering for Employment



The Volunteering for Employment service provides one-to-one support to individuals seeking to enhance employability skills, gain experience, and boost confidence through volunteering, but does not guarantee paid employment or job placement.

ASN Schools Transition Team



Supporting identified young people, with a disability, in their transition to leaving school. Intensive support is provided 6 months prior and 6 months post school, a pathway plan is created with the young person and individuals they identify as important in their transition, to support their aspirations for the future. In addition, the team will support the wider family by offering advice, guidance and signposting to services where appropriate. Referrals are made via the school as an RFA.



DFN Project SEARCH

The DFN Project SEARCH programme provides real work experience combined with training in employability and independent living skills delivered in a business setting to help young people make successful transitions to productive adult life. It is a partnership between the Employability and Skills Service, Dumfries and Galloway College and Dumfries and Galloway Council. The goal is to provide full / part-time paid work for our interns in an integrated setting.



Participant Condition Management

FedCap offers a Condition Management Service for individuals requiring support to move into or sustain work. Participants undergo a Health Triage and biopsychosocial assessment, develop a health action plan, and receive workshops, case management, and personalized support.

STAR Programme



In addition to developing skills and chances for long-term goals beyond full-time school or employment, the STAR program boosts confidence and broadens experience and understanding of potential career paths. To further build Meta Skills, Life Skills, and Education Skills in preparation for college, the program would also include sections related to Personal Development and the Journey to Employment.



Care Experienced Young People

Let's Get Sporty CIC offers services across all 5 stages of the strategic skills pipeline to CEYP by supporting them through our Let's Get Employed programme. This has several strands which can be tailored into a customised support programme to suit individual client needs, assisting them to progress further along the employability pathway. We offer different work experience placements, employability support (C.V. writing, Interview preparation and job/college applications etc), 1-1 mentoring, on call service, life skills that will support you with independent living, training courses, helping you to achieve your goals.



School Leavers Programme

Have you left school this Summer, or are thinking of leaving school this winter? Our Let's Get Employed programme has now got spaces specifically for school leavers. Our programme is designed to help you learn, gain confidence, develop experience and create new opportunities that will help you grow and progress onto employment and/or further education. We have helped over 600 young people in the past 12 years find employment or further education and supported them through their journey.

- 1-1 mentoring.
- CV support.
- Personal development.
- Opportunity of work experience.
- Career support.
- Course / Job searching.
- Specialised Training.
- Develop life Skills.
- Support in finding local opportunities.