

Rutland Adult and Community Learning



January to April 2026
Course Guide



Get Started

To enquire about our courses:

- Call 01572 758122
- Email adultlearning@rutland.gov.uk
- Contact us via our website - www.ralss.org.uk
- Visit us in person at Unit 16a, Gate 2, Oakham Enterprise Park, Ashwell Road, Oakham, Rutland, LE15 7TU
- Speak to a Community Access Worker at one of Rutland's libraries

Fees and Funding

Our courses are subsidised by the Department for Education and, in some cases, there is no tuition fee to pay. Where a fee is paid, the standard rate is £7.50 per hour. The rate for unfunded courses (full cost recovery) will vary depending on the course.

No refunds are available for cancellations made by you within 1 week prior to your course's start date.

Financial Support

Tailored Learning concessions

You could receive a 50% discount on Tailored Learning course fees if you are in receipt or the unwaged dependent of someone in receipt of particular state benefits*, or have a gross annual household income of less than £25,750.

We are unable to offer concessions on unfunded courses.

Discretionary Learner Support Fund

If you are unemployed or on a low income and enrolled on one of our qualifications, we may be able to help with your transport, exam, awarding body registration or childcare** costs through our Discretionary Learner Support Fund.

If you're attending our non-qualification ESOL courses, we may also be able to help with your transport costs.

Information, Advice and Guidance

Our free and impartial service can help you:

- find the right course with us or other providers
- create or update your CV
- search and apply for jobs

and more!

**excluding Child Tax Credits*

***eligibility criteria applies*

Learning for Life and Work

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)

LES304T3	Beginners	Fri	09:30 – 11:30	09/01/26 – 27/03/26	12 wks	Free**
LES305T3	Beginners Plus	Fri	11:30 – 13:30	09/01/26 – 27/03/26	12 wks	Free**

Develop your English communication skills and fluency whilst exploring elements of British culture, history and geography. You may also work towards an entry-level qualification.

Functional Skills Maths

FSMA321	Thurs	09:30 – 12:00	15/01/26 – 18/06/26	19 wks*	Free**
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Work towards a Level 1 or Level 2 qualification and increase your knowledge of shapes, numbers, space, measures, mathematical problem-solving and more. **Plus exam, usually sat one week later*

Digital Skills

DIS307T3	Introduction to Computers	Tues	13:00 – 15:00	06/01/26 – 03/02/26	5 wks	Free**
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Discover how to log in to a computer, use its mouse and keys to navigate your way round, access the internet, access your emails and keep your information safe.

DIS308T4	Digital Functional Skills	Tues	12:30 – 15:00	24/02/26 – 07/07/26	17 wks*	Free**
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Work towards an Entry 3 or Level 1 qualification as you learn how to handle information, create and edit documents or spreadsheets, use email and online messaging to communicate, and more.

**Plus exam, usually sat one week later*

****free for adults aged 19+ who meet funding criteria**

Emergency First Aid at Work

EFAW314	Tues	10:00 – 16:00	13/01/26	1 day	£60
EFAW315	Tues	10:00 – 16:00	03/03/26	1 day	£60

This Level 3 Award satisfies the requirements of the Health and Safety Executive and covers responsibilities and reporting, resuscitation, bleeding control, shock, epilepsy, choking and more.

Paediatric First Aid

EPFA310	Sat	10:00 – 16:00	17/01/26 & 24/01/26	2 wks	£85
EPFA311	Sat	10:00 – 16:00	14/03/26 & 21/03/26	2 wks	£85

This Level 3 Award satisfies the criteria set out in the statutory framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage and covers responsibilities and reporting, resuscitation, infantile convulsions, fractures, choking, foreign bodies, meningitis, burns and more.

Learning for Wellbeing: Languages

The levels of our Italian and Spanish courses align with the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages. If you already have some knowledge of Italian or Spanish but aren't sure which level you should enrol at, please get in touch.

Italian						
LIT104T3	Advanced B2.2	Mon	10:30 - 12:30	05/01/26 – 30/03/26	12 wks	£180
LIT105T3	Beginners Plus A2.1	Mon	13:00 - 15:00	05/01/26 – 30/03/26	12 wks	£180
LIT106T3	Intermediate A2.3	Tues	13:00 - 15:00	06/01/26 – 31/03/26	12 wks	£180
LIT107T3	Beginners Year 2 A1.2	Weds	13:30 – 15:30	07/01/26 – 01/04/26	12 wks	£180
Develop your speaking, listening, reading and writing skills, including natural conversational skills, and explore elements of the Italian culture.						

Spanish						
LSP103T3	New Beginners (online)	Tues	10:00 - 12:00	06/01/26 – 31/03/26	12 wks	£180
LSP100T3	Advanced C1.2	Thurs	10:00 - 12:00	08/01/26 – 02/04/26	12 wks	£180
LSP101T3	Upper Intermediate B2.2	Thurs	13:00 - 15:00	08/01/26 – 02/04/26	12 wks	£180
LSP102T3	Intermediate A1	Thurs	15:30 - 17:30	08/01/26 – 02/04/26	12 wks	£180
Develop your speaking, listening, reading and writing skills, including natural conversational skills, and explore elements of the Spanish culture.						

Learning for Wellbeing: Arts

How to Use Your....

ASW134T4	Overlocker	Mon	10:00 - 15:30	19/01/26	1 day	£45
Learn how to thread your overlocker, carry out basic maintenance and use techniques such as edging, narrow hemming, rolled hemming and adjusting for different types of fabrics.						
ASW135T4	Sewing Machine	Mon	10:00 - 16:00	23/02/25	1 day	£45
Gain an overview of your sewing machine and explore its potential by applying correct techniques, troubleshooting common problems, and making informed choices to achieve great results.						

Drawing and Painting

ADP112T3	Mixed level	Tues	09:30 – 12:30	06/01/26 – 31/03/26	10 wks*	£225
ADP113T3	Intermediate to Advanced	Tues	13:00 – 16:00	06/01/26 – 31/03/26	10 wks*	£225
Develop your drawing and painting skills and approaches whilst using different media, such as traditional watercolour paints, gouache, inks or acrylics. <i>*No classes on 20 & 27 January</i>						
ADP133T4	Introduction to...	Sat	09:30 - 12:30	28/02/26 – 14/03/26	3 wks	£75
Develop your drawing skills and learn, or improve your understanding of, the basics of watercolour painting in this three-week course. All materials provided.						

Exploring Drawing

ADR136T3	Mon	13:00 – 16:00	05/01/26 – 09/02/26	6 wks	£140
Build upon your existing basic drawing skills as you explore the ideas and techniques of other artists, participate in practical exercises to improve your coordination, and experiment with charcoal and ink.					

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Dressmaking

AMC119T3	Sat	09:30 – 15:00	17/01/26	1 day	£45
AMC120T3	Sat	09:30 – 15:00	14/02/26	1 day	£45
AMC121T4	Sat	09:30 – 15:00	14/03/26	1 day	£45

Bring your sewing machine, materials and pattern and improve your dressmaking skills in these fun one-day courses. Each course also includes a tutorial on a specific technique.

Pottery for Beginners

APO108T3	Weds	10:00 – 13:00	07/01/26 – 25/03/26	11 wks	£247.50
APO110T3	Weds	18:30 – 21:00	07/01/26 – 01/04/26	12 wks	£225

Venture into the world of pottery and develop ceramic hand-building skills as you follow our tutors' themes and topics to produce a variety of ceramic items.

Intermediate Pottery

APO109T3	Weds	13:30 – 16:30	07/01/26 – 25/03/26	11 wks	£247.50
APO111T3	Thurs	18:30 – 21:00	08/01/26 – 02/04/26	12 wks	£225

Build upon your existing ceramic hand-building skills as you follow our tutors' themes and topics to produce a variety of ceramic items.

Learner Support

English and Maths:

If you are aged 19+ and don't already have a GCSE grade C / 4 or above, you may be able to access our English and Maths courses for free.

Digital Skills:

If you are aged 19+ and don't have the essential digital skills required to operate effectively in work and day to day life, you may be able to access our digital skills courses (including qualifications) for free.

Level 2 and Level 3 qualifications:

If you are aged 19 to 23, you may be able to access a level 2 or level 3 qualification for free depending on your prior attainment, employment status, benefit status or wage.

Childcare arrangements — can we help?

Two-year-old early education funding

Parents who are receiving certain benefits will be able to apply for funded early education for their two-year-old. If eligible, the child will be able to attend an approved childcare setting for up to 15 hours per week during term time, or 570 stretched across the year. To check eligibility please contact Rutland County Council's Early Education Support Team at EarlyEducationSupportTeam@Rutland.gov.uk.

Universal three- and four-year-old funding

All families in England with three- and four-year old children will be able to access funded early education at an approved childcare setting for up to 15 hours per week term time, or 570 hours stretched across the year. For full details visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk.

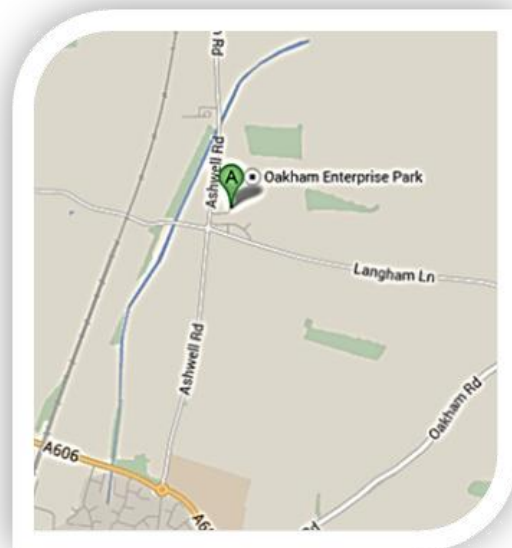
Please try to use your entitlement to cover the days and times when you attend your courses. If you still have any difficulties, please call us to discuss.

Find us...

From the Oakham Bypass, turn onto Ashwell Road. After about a mile cross the mini-roundabout and immediately prepare to turn right into Gate 2. The car park is straight ahead and has plenty of free parking available.

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Unit 16a (ground floor)
Gate 2
Oakham Enterprise Park
Ashwell Road
Oakham
LE15 7TU



Buses run from John Street Bus Station, Oakham, at intervals throughout the day. The bus stop is just outside the entrance to the complex. To find out more, go to www.rutland.gov.uk/rutland-buses. Rutland's CallConnect bus also services the Adult Learning Hub – to find out more, download their app.

Booking is easy...

Download the app from your app store (search for Callconnect) or scan the QR code to get started.

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