



BURY
ADULT LEARNING SERVICE
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COURSE GUIDE
2026
LEARNING FOR LIFE & WORK
LET'S DO IT!



Welcome

Welcome to our latest course guide.

We are delighted to share a wide range of opportunities designed to support your learning, wellbeing, and personal development.

This year, we have refreshed and expanded our curriculum to ensure it continues to meet the needs of our learners and our community. In particular, we are pleased to introduce a newly developed ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) curriculum, designed to better support learners in building confidence and skills in English, maths and IT for everyday life and work.

Alongside our courses, please look out for a variety of learning opportunities taking place throughout 2026/27, including our Lunchtime Learning Sessions. These sessions are designed to support employment, health and wellbeing, and provide practical, everyday support.

Whether you are looking to gain new skills, improve your wellbeing, or take the next step in your learning journey, we are here to support you every step of the way.

We look forward to welcoming you to Bury Adult Learning Service.

Joanne Hatton, Head of Adult Learning



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Interested In Joining Our Team Of Volunteers?

- Do you have 2-3 hours each week to spare?
- Could you support someone with additional learning needs to attend adult learning?
- Help change a life and come and join our team!
- Do you have a British Sign Language qualification to support our learners who have a hearing impairment?

Share your skills and knowledge with others.
Get valuable experience in a teaching environment.
Boost your confidence and enrich your C.V.

For more information, call Rebekah on **0161 253 7833**
or email r.kirk@bury.gov.uk



Learner Support - Supporting You

Here to help you achieve your personal goals

Join a course at Bury Adult Learning Service and become part of a vibrant and diverse community

Bury Adult Learning Service is committed to offering the support and guidance you need to help you succeed and progress in your studies and into employment.

We know that for many people making the choice to join an adult learning class can be a big step. We want to support you however we can on your learning journey.

Information, Advice and Guidance

Learner Services is available throughout the year to help you decide which course is best for you. Our friendly staff offer advice, guidance and information either by appointment, phone or online.

We offer a range of information and support, including:

- Further details about course content
- Support with any additional learning needs you have, or adjustments you may need to help you participate and achieve - see pages 10-11
- Progression opportunities, whether to further learning or employment
- Information on other organisations that can provide support

We work with the National Careers Service who can provide free one-to-one advice on how to progress your career aspirations or use your learning to move into employment.

Learner Support Fund

The Learner Support Fund is a limited discretionary grant provided to help learners experiencing financial hardship to stay in education.

This fund can be used to help with:

- course costs
- exam fees
- childcare costs
- travel costs

To apply you must:

- meet residency requirements
- provide evidence that you are on a low income or are experiencing financial hardship

Please note: All support funds are subject to individual eligibility and the availability of funds.

To find out more about how we can support your learning, call Learner Services on **0161 253 7501** email learner.services@bury.gov.uk or call Bury Adult Learning Centre on **0161 253 5772**.

Matrix Standard of Quality

The Matrix Standard is the national quality standard for any organisation that delivers information, advice and guidance on learning and work. In May 2026, Bury Adult Learning Service was successfully assessed to the standard.



Learning Opportunities - Supporting You and Your Future Goals

From September 2026, we will be expanding our range of learner opportunities to support your needs and goals.

Alongside your course, you can take part in lunchtime learning sessions that provide advice, guidance and useful skills for work and future study. These will include careers guidance and talks from local employers and community groups.

There will also be opportunities to take part in work experience, volunteer at our events and get involved in supporting the work of the Service, helping you gain valuable skills and experience to add to your CV.

We will also support you to overcome any barriers with self-confidence and wellbeing.

We encourage you to take part in these opportunities - Look out for our posters around Bury Adult Learning Centre to discover more!



IT/ Digital Skills

Whether you're looking to develop your skills for employment or explore a new interest, our range of computer courses are designed to support you. If you're thinking about enrolling on a qualification course, we will chat with you first to check your current skills and make sure you join the course that's right for you.

COURSES WITH QUALIFICATIONS	CENTRE	DAY	TIME	STARTS	WEEKS	COST	DISC.	CODE
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CYBERSECURITY

Interested in a career in cybersecurity? Learn how organisations protect their systems from online threats and keep sensitive data safe.

Introduction To Cybersecurity	Bury ALC	Tuesday	6.00pm - 9.00pm	08/09/2026	2	FREE	FREE	B241PTL
Cybersecurity - Level 1	Bury ALC	Tuesday	6.00pm - 9.00pm	22/09/2026	14	£177.30	FREE	B241
Introduction to Cybersecurity	Bury ALC	Friday	9.30am - 12.30pm	11/09/2026	2	FREE	FREE	B502PTL
Cybersecurity - Level 1	Bury ALC	Friday	9.30am - 12.30pm	25/09/2026	14	£177.30	FREE	B502

ESSENTIAL DIGITAL SKILLS

Equip yourself with digital skills for work, life or further study. Topics include creating and editing documents, communicating, sharing and managing online activities, shopping online and much more!

Essential Digital Skills - Entry 3	Bury ALC	Mon-Tues	9.45am - 12.00pm	21/09/2026	10	FREE	FREE	B104
Essential Digital Skills - Level 1	Bury ALC	Mon-Tues	12.45pm - 3.00pm	21/09/2026	10	FREE	FREE	B122
Essential Digital Skills - Entry 3	Bury ALC	Tuesday	6.00pm - 9.00pm	22/09/2026	15	FREE	FREE	B242
Essential Digital Skills - Entry 3	Bury ALC	Wed - Thurs	9.45am - 12.00pm	23/09/2026	10	FREE	FREE	B301

ICDL (INTERNATIONAL COMPUTER DRIVING LICENCE)

This non-qualification course will help you practise and strengthen your Microsoft Office skills - setting you up for the next step to ICDL Level 2.

Microsoft Office For Employment Become ICDL Ready	Bury ALC	Monday	1.00pm - 3.30pm	21/09/2026	10	£85.00	FREE	B121
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Boost your computer skills and gain a recognised qualification that can help you move into work or progress in your current role. This year-round course is a great way to build confidence and strengthen your CV for new opportunities.

ICDL - Level 2 (Fast Track)	Bury ALC	Mon-Tues-Thurs	9.15am - 12.15pm	21/09/2026	10	FREE	FREE	ITICDL01
ICDL - Level 2	Bury ALC	Wednesday	1.00pm - 4.00pm	23/09/2026	30	FREE	FREE	B321
ICDL - Level 2	Bury ALC	Wednesday	6.00pm - 9.00pm	23/09/2026	30	FREE	FREE	B342



INTRODUCTION TO ICT SKILLS

This course will help you build your ICT and digital skills for everyday life. You will learn how to use computers, tablets, and phones with more confidence.

Introduction To ICT Skills - Entry 3	Bury ALC	Tuesday	12.30pm - 3.00pm	22/09/2026	30	£308.00	FREE	B221
Introduction To ICT Skills - Entry 3	Bury ALC	Friday	9.30am - 12.00pm	25/09/2026	30	£308.00	FREE	B503
Introduction To ICT Skills - Entry 3	Bury ALC	Friday	9.30am - 12.00pm	25/09/2026	30	£308.00	FREE	B504

PROGRAMMING

Have you ever wanted to know more about how apps work? These courses will equip you with the skills you need to understand and learn coding techniques. The course is a good starting point for anyone wanting to explore further qualifications or even a career in coding/programming.

Prepare To Learn Programming	Bury ALC	Friday	9.30am - 12.30pm	11/09/2026	2	FREE	FREE	B501PTL
First Steps In Programming - Level 1	Bury ALC	Friday	9.30am - 12.30pm	25/09/2026	14	£177.30	FREE	B501

IT/ Digital Skills

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GETTING STARTED WITH COMPUTERS

New to computers? This beginner-friendly course will help you build confidence using devices, the internet, and everyday digital tools. Learn at your own pace in a relaxed, supportive environment - no previous experience needed!

Getting Started With Computers	Bury ALC	Wednesday	6.00pm - 8.30pm	23/09/2026	10	£85.00	FREE	B341
Getting Started With Computers	Bury ALC	Friday	1.00pm - 3.30pm	25/09/2026	10	£85.00	FREE	B521

MICROSOFT WORD & EXCEL

Learn the basic skills that you need to use Microsoft Word and Excel, whether it's for work or personal use.

Beginner's Microsoft Word	Bury Library	Monday	10.00am - 12.00pm	21/09/2026	5	£49.70	FREE	CBL101
Beginner's Microsoft Excel	Bury Library	Monday	10.00am - 12.00pm	02/11/2026	5	£49.70	FREE	CBL102

USING YOUR PHONE/TABLET

For the courses below, feel free to bring along your own phone or tablet. Take your first step into the digital world. This course will help you build confidence using your smartphone or tablet, with simple, practical skills for everyday life, such as keeping in touch with family, friends and services through email. Perfect if you're new to digital and ready to feel more independent.

Using Your Phone/Tablet	Bury Library	Monday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	14/09/2026	6	FREE	FREE	CBL121
Using Your Phone/Tablet	Creative Living Centre	Thursday	10.00am - 12.00pm	17/09/2026	6	FREE	FREE	CLC401
Using Your Phone/Tablet	Asda, Radcliffe	Thursday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	17/09/2026	6	FREE	FREE	CAR421

This friendly, supportive course will help you build your skills and access online services with ease - perfect if you've got the basics and are ready to take the next step.

Using Your Phone/Tablet Online	Bury Library	Monday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	26/10/2026	6	FREE	FREE	CBL122
Using Your Phone/Tablet Online	Creative Living Centre	Thursday	10.00am - 12.00pm	29/10/2026	6	FREE	FREE	CLC402
Using Your Phone/Tablet Online	Asda, Radcliffe	Thursday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	29/10/2026	6	FREE	FREE	CAR422

YOUR DIGITAL JOURNEY

LEARN > GROW > ACHIEVE

START YOUR JOURNEY



ESSENTIAL DIGITAL SKILLS QUALIFICATION (EDSQ) ENTRY 3

Build your confidence with basic digital skills for everyday life – stay connected, safe and independent online.

1

CORE SKILLS: ESSENTIAL DIGITAL SKILLS QUALIFICATION (EDSQ) LEVEL 1

Develop your digital skills further and gain the knowledge and experience to use a computer with greater confidence.

2

WORKPLACE IT: ICDL LEVEL 2

Learn practical Microsoft Office skills, boost your confidence and improve your job prospects in today's digital world.



EMPLOYMENT OR VOLUNTEERING
Boost your confidence and open doors to new opportunities.



FURTHER LEARNING
Continue to build your knowledge and skills including bootcamps and apprenticeships.



DIGITAL INDEPENDENCE
Live, work and connect safely and confidently in a digital world.

— CHOOSE YOUR SPECIALISATION PATH —



SPECIALISE: CYBERSECURITY LEVEL 1

Understand cyber threats, protect information and learn practical ways to stay safe online.



SPECIALISE: PROGRAMMING LEVEL 1

Learn the basics of programming, think logically, solve problems and create your own computer programs.



..... OTHER WAYS TO START YOUR JOURNEY



INTRO TO ICT SKILLS ENTRY 3

Build your ICT and digital skills for everyday life – Word, Internet, Email and more.



LEVEL 1 AWARD IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Gain skills and a qualification to help you start a career in administration.

Work Skills & Employment

Take the next step towards your future with our Work Skills and Employment courses. Whether you're interested in food safety, hospitality and catering, or business administration, our courses will help you gain valuable skills, and move closer to your career goals.

COURSES WITH QUALIFICATIONS	CENTRE	DAY	TIME	STARTS	WEEKS	COST	DISC.	CODE
Intro To A Career In Catering & Hospitality - Level 2	Bury ALC	Monday	10.00am - 12.00pm	21/09/2026	9	£88.40	FREE	B101
Business Administration Skills - Level 1 Award	Bury ALC	Mon- Tues	9.30am - 12.30pm	21/09/2026	10	£246.50	FREE	B102
Food Safety - Level 2	Bury ALC	Wednesday	9.30am - 4.30pm	11/11/2026	1 day	£33.00	FREE	WWFS301

New For 2026/2027 - Employability Skills

Looking to get back into work or boost your job prospects?

Bury Adult Learning Service is introducing a new 5-week Employability Skills course designed to help you feel confident, prepared, and ready for work.

This course will help you:

- Create a strong, professional CV
- Search and apply for jobs online
- Improve your essential digital skills
- Understand what employers are looking for

You will also build confidence with:

- Interview techniques and common questions
- Mock interviews to practise your skills
- Tips on presenting yourself professionally

By the end of the course, you'll have the tools and confidence to apply for jobs and succeed in interviews.

Dates and times to be confirmed. To find out more or register your interest, please call 0161 253 5772.

Start Your Journey To Success With English & Maths

Struggling with numbers? Lacking confidence in spelling or punctuation?

You're not alone - and we're here to help.

Whether you're looking for a job, aiming for a promotion, or considering further study, strong English and maths skills can open doors and boost your confidence in everyday life.

Our FREE English and maths courses are designed to support you every step of the way. You can refresh and build essential skills, gain recognised qualifications, improve your career prospects, and feel more confident in day-to-day tasks, including supporting your family.

You'll learn in a welcoming and inclusive environment, supported by friendly, experienced tutors.

Following a relaxed, informal assessment, we'll help you find the right starting point – from beginner level through to Level 2. No matter where you begin, we'll support you to progress, whether that's moving into employment, further education, or simply gaining confidence in everyday situations.

Take The First Step Today

English and maths are essential skills for life, work, and future opportunities. By joining our courses, you can:

- Build confidence in reading, writing, and numbers
- Improve your career opportunities and earning potential
- Meet new people in a supportive learning environment
- Gain nationally recognised qualifications
- Develop skills to support everyday life and family learning

Our Level 2 Functional Skills courses can open pathways into further education, apprenticeships, and even university-level study.

Take the next step today and invest in your future.

Call 0161 253 5772 to book your informal assessment and find the course that's right for you.

New For 2026/2027 - Flexible Learning Options

We are introducing a new, more flexible way to study Functional Skills English. Our blended learning approach combines face-to-face classroom sessions with online study and tutorials.

This means you'll still complete three hours of learning each week,

but not all of it will take place in the classroom. You'll have the freedom to balance learning alongside life commitments.

If this way of learning appeals to you, simply book an English assessment to find out more on 0161 253 5772.

Wellbeing

Take some time for yourself and focus on feeling good. Our wellbeing courses are designed to boost your confidence, support your mental health, and help you connect with others while learning something new. Ideal if you're experiencing stress, anxiety, or low mood and want a gentle, supportive way to feel better.

COURSES WITHOUT QUALIFICATIONS	CENTRE	DAY	TIME	STARTS	WEEKS	COST	DISC.	CODE
Art To Reduce Anxiety & Stress	Bury ALC	Tuesday	7.00pm - 9.00pm	22/09/2026	5	£5.50	£5.50	CMHB241
Improve Your Mood Through Food	Bury ALC	Thursday	9.30am - 12.00pm	24/09/2026	5	£10.00	£10.00	CMHB401
Mindfulness Through Crafts	Bury ALC	Tuesday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	03/11/2026	5	£5.50	£5.50	CMHB221
Bake Yourself Happy	Bury ALC	Thursday	9.30am - 12.00pm	05/11/2026	5	£10.00	£10.00	CMHB402
Creative Writing For Wellbeing	Bury ALC	Thursday	9.30am - 12.00pm	05/11/2026	5	FREE	FREE	CMHB403

Get Creative

Whether you are a complete beginner or flourishing expert, we have a range of creative courses to spark your interest!

COURSES WITHOUT QUALIFICATIONS	CENTRE	DAY	TIME	STARTS	WEEKS	COST	DISC.	CODE
Introducing To Upcycling/Creating Garment From Scratch	Bury ALC	Monday	10.00am - 12.00pm	21/09/2026	9	£89.46	£35.82	B110X
Sew Easy (Mixed Ability)	Bury ALC	Monday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	21/09/2026	9	£146.70	£73.35	LPB121X
Oil Painting For All	Bury ALC	Thursday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	24/09/2026	9	£146.70	£73.35	LPB421X
Watercolour Painting For All	Bury ALC	Thursday	3.15pm - 5.15pm	24/09/2026	9	£146.70	£73.35	LPB422X
Patchwork & Quilting	Ramsbottom Library ALC	Tuesday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	22/09/2026	9	£146.70	£73.35	LPR221X
Patchwork & Quilting	Ramsbottom Library ALC	Thursday	6.45pm - 8.45pm	24/09/2026	9	£146.70	£73.35	LPR441X
Soft Furnishing & Upholstery	Ramsbottom Library ALC	Thursday	10.00am - 12.00pm	24/09/2026	9	£146.70	£73.35	LPR401X
Spanish Year 1	Bury ALC	Thursday	10.00am - 12.00pm	24/09/2026	10	£248.50	£99.50	B401



Family Learning

Are you a parent or carer looking to get more involved in your children's education? Do you need help to support your children with their homework? Or maybe you're keen to brush up your own skills and want to get back into work or further learning?

Our Family Learning team delivers courses in schools, Family Hubs and various community settings across the borough. These courses support parents and carers to build their own confidence and skills, which enables them to help their children reach their full potential, both at home and at school, building positive relationships and stronger community links wherever we can have an impact.

In addition to supporting their children, there is an emphasis on empowering parents

to enable them to be effective educators at home as a springboard from which to become sufficiently confident and skilled to explore opportunities that could lead them into further avenues of work or study themselves. Classes can involve the children working alongside their parents with the class teacher and the support of the Family Learning tutor (with a focus on a specific school year group and subject area), or are parent-only, where parents work together with the adult tutor to improve their own skills

and knowledge.

Contact us now to get more information about classes we may already be running in your local school.

If you are a head teacher or a community worker interested in us setting up a Family Learning course for your parents or service-users, or to find out more about what we offer, contact:

Pete Cookson at p.cookson@bury.gov.uk or phone 0161 253 5079.

COURSES WITHOUT QUALIFICATIONS	CENTRE	DAY	TIME	STARTS	WEEKS	COST	DISCOUNT	CODE
Family First Aid For Parents & Carers	Bury ALC	Friday	10.00am - 12.00pm	25/09/2026	4	FREE	FREE	FLB501P
What's Cooking Healthy Eating On A Budget	Bury ALC	Friday	12.30pm - 2.30pm	13/11/2026	5	FREE	FREE	FLB521P
Family Language-ESOL Phonics	East Bury Family Hub	Friday	9.30am - 11.30am	25/09/2026	5	FREE	FREE	FLEB501P
Healthy Minds Healthy Families	East Bury Family Hub	Tuesday	9.15am - 11.15am	10/11/2026	5	FREE	FREE	FLEB201P
Family Language- (ESOL) Ready For School	East Bury Family Hub	Friday	9.30am - 11.30am	13/11/2026	5	FREE	FREE	FLEB502P

Independent Learning

It all starts with skills - It's all about you!

Our courses are designed to give learning opportunities to people with additional learning needs, such as learning disabilities and/or difficulties, sensory impairment and neuro diverse conditions. We offer enriched, motivating and safe learning environments where learners thrive and develop skills for independence and active participation within the community.

All under the guidance of tutors and support staff, class numbers are kept small. We would be very pleased to invite you to talk about the provision we offer. Call 0161 253 5772 to book an initial assessment.

COURSES WITHOUT QUALIFICATIONS	CENTRE	DAY	TIME	STARTS	WEEKS	COST	DISCOUNT	CODE
Beginner's Therapeutic Art	Bury ALC	Monday	9.45am - 12.00pm	21/09/2026	10	£86.50	£10.00	B103X
Live Well, Live Independently	Bury ALC	Tuesday	9.45am - 12.00pm	22/09/2026	10	£76.50	FREE	B201X
My Computer Skills Journey	Bury ALC	Thursday	1.00pm - 3.30pm	24/09/2026	10	£85.00	FREE	B421X
Relaxing Art For Pleasure	Bury ALC	Monday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	21/09/2026	9	£156.70	£83.35	LPB122X
Let's Get Cooking-Fakeaway Foods	Bury ALC	Tuesday	1.00pm - 3.00pm	22/09/2026	9	£196.70	£123.35	LPB221X
Enjoying English	Bury ALC	Wednesday	1.00pm - 3.30pm	23/09/2026	10	FREE	FREE	B320X
Living On A Budget	Bury ALC	Thursday	9.45am - 12.15pm	24/09/2026	10	FREE	FREE	B400X

ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)

The Key To A Successful Life In The Uk

Learning English can help you feel more confident and independent

Our ESOL courses can help you improve your English for everyday life, work, and your future.

You will learn how to:

- Speak and listen in everyday situations
- Read letters, messages, and emails
- Write simple texts

You will also learn about:

- Jobs and work
- What happens at work
- Local services
- Basic maths skills

These skills will help you talk to people, use services, and feel part of your community. You will learn with friendly and experienced tutors in a welcoming place. They will help you set goals and support you to do your best.

Whether you want to get a job, help your family, or feel more confident, we are here to help.

Call 0161 253 5772 for more information.



Bury ESOL Advice Service is available to all residents of Bury, Radcliffe, Whitefield, Prestwich, Tottington and Ramsbottom. If English is not your first language, the ESOL Advice Service can advise you on the support that is available across the borough of Bury, through ourselves and other learning providers and services. There are many different courses that can help you to enhance your employment prospects.



For more information visit the website

<https://gmesol.org/esol-in-bury/> or email Sana Ishtiaq,

ESOL Co-ordinator on S.Ishtiaq@bury.gov.uk or telephone 0161 253 6806.

How to Join A Course

By phone

You can pay over the phone using a credit or debit card. You can also pay by cash, credit or debit card at Bury Adult Learning Centre.

Online

If you have previously attended one of our courses, you will need your account reference number. If you have forgotten your reference number, please ring **0161 253 5772**. If this is the first time you have used the online enrolment facility, a reference number will automatically be generated.

Bury Adult Learning Centre

You can pay by cash, credit or debit card at Bury Adult Learning Centre.

Where to enrol

**Bury Adult Learning Centre,
18 Haymarket St, Bury BL9 0AQ**

Tel no: 0161 253 5772

Office Opening Hours

Monday - Friday 9.00am - 4.30pm
Tuesday and Wednesday (term time only)
9.00am - 5.00pm

Waiting lists

If your chosen course is full and there are no suitable alternatives, you can be put onto a waiting list. If places become available, we will contact you.

Enrol now – you are advised to enrol as early as possible to avoid disappointment as some courses fill very quickly!

Fees and Discounts

How much will it cost?

Bury Adult Learning Service receives funding from the Greater Manchester Combined Authority (GMCA) in order to provide learning to adults. **The fees quoted in this guide represent a contribution to the overall cost of the course, other than those that begin with the course code “LP”. These courses are self-financing, therefore learners do not receive any funding from the GMCA towards the cost of their course.**

Some of our provision is fully funded by the GMCA, for example English, maths and some IT. Depending on your circumstances you may also qualify for a free course in other subjects, or a reduced rate. Please bring proof of any benefits at the time of enrolment.

The fees for each course are listed in this guide.

Courses with qualifications

You may be entitled to a fully funded qualification course depending on your circumstances, or previous qualifications obtained. Please enquire at the centre for more information.

Qualification courses only

We can fully fund learners that are employed/self-employed if they earn the recommended threshold. **For more information, please call 0161 253 5772.** The learner must provide evidence of gross annual wage, which could be a wage slip, or universal credit statement, which must be within 3 months of their start date. A contract of employment showing monthly or annual gross pay can also be provided.

Courses without qualifications

We offer a discount for courses that are not qualification based. If you currently claim a state benefit, please enquire at the centre to find out if you are entitled to a reduced fee. You will need to provide evidence at the time of enrolment in order to qualify.

Refunds

It is not the policy of Bury Adult Learning Service to automatically refund fees when a change of circumstance prevents or discourages a learner from continuing with a particular class.

A full refund will be paid if Bury Adult Learning Service cancels the course within the first 2 sessions. This will be refunded on a pro-rata basis thereafter.

Except where it states specifically, we cannot pay a refund of fees due to circumstances beyond our control, e.g. war, terrorist activity, industrial dispute, bad weather, fire and flood.

In exceptional circumstances (at the discretion of Management), other refunds may be given. These requests must be made within 2 weeks of your last attendance for a refund to be considered.

Refunds will not be given for exam fees already paid to the awarding organisation.

Additional charges

Some courses involve costs other than published fees. These are detailed on the course information sheet for each course. Course information sheets can be requested from the Bury Adult Learning Centre or downloaded from www.bury.gov.uk/adultlearning

Additional Information

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion

Bury Adult Learning Service aims to offer a choice of learning opportunities to all members of the community and to encourage people regardless of age, religion, disability, ethnic or national origins, marital status, caring status, gender and sexual orientation to take part in learning. Institutions are required by law to promote equality of opportunity between these groups. The Service has responsibilities to ensure the safety of children, young people and those adults deemed 'at risk'.

We are committed to celebrating diversity and to ensuring equality of opportunity for everyone. We promote good relations between different groups of people, including people from different racial groups.

Equality and Diversity information is displayed in all classrooms and published in the learner handbook. Bury Adult Learning Service is a partner of the Bury Integrated Safeguarding Partnership and provides regular training on Safeguarding, Equality, Diversity and Inclusion and Prevent.

Safeguarding - Prevent

Bury Adult Learning Service is committed to the Government's National Strategy for 'Prevent' which safeguards you from extremism and radicalisation. To this end, we promote the fundamental British Values of rule of law, democracy, individual liberty, tolerance and mutual respect.

Calendar dates

For 2026/2027 calendar term dates and half term holidays, please ask at Bury Adult Learning Centre or consult with your tutor.

Other important information

Bury Adult Learning Service reserves the right to change the venue of a course, and withdraw or close any class at their discretion. All prices and fees correct at time of going to press. Errors and omissions excepted.

Ofsted Update

We were inspected by Ofsted on 25 November 2025.

Ofsted state:

"Learners feel a deep sense of community and belonging.

They value the care and acceptance that they receive from staff.

Learners appreciate that they are taught by dedicated and passionate staff, who motivate them to succeed.

Learners build these essential knowledge and skills that they need to enable them to achieve their personal and/or career goals"



To read the full report, please scan the QR code.

Additional Learning Support

We want you to enjoy your time at Bury Adult Learning Service and to be successful in whatever course you have decided to study. If you need special help or assistance, advice will be available from the Learning Support Team. If you have a learning support need, please indicate this at enrolment.

The Learning Support Team is specially trained to provide a quality service for learners with additional learning needs.

These learners can get:

- Support in Skills for Life
- An initial assessment - to identify personal and challenging goals
- Special exam arrangements
- Support in some classes if needed
- Study skills support
- Advice to tutors on how best to support you
- Monitoring and reviewing of your progress



Contact us

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