

# COSCA Certificate in Counselling Skills

## Fee paying and Funding

The cost of the course is £292 per module.

Enrolment and payment of the fee must be completed in advance of the course start date. You will be given information about enrolment just before the beginning of the course.

**Please note:** if it is difficult for you to pay the full £292 all at once, it may be possible to come to an instalment agreement with the Finance section. If you wish to pay instalments by Direct Debit the Direct Debit instruction must be in place 14 days before the course start date or 50% of the fee paid up front. Contact Lorraine McFadyen at [Lorraine.McFadyen@edinburghcollege.ac.uk](mailto:Lorraine.McFadyen@edinburghcollege.ac.uk) and 0131 535 4660.

## ILA

The COSCA course is registered with ILA (Individual Learning Account) for the £200 award. If eligible, because the Certificate spans 15 months, a student may use one year's ILA 200 account to part pay the Module 1 fee, and the next year's account for Module 4. This still leaves the student needing to find £92 for each of Modules 1 and 2, and £292 for each of Modules 2 and 3.

If you are intending to use an ILA account to part fund your fees, check your eligibility and make sure your account is in place before the enrolment date. It can take several weeks to set up the account, so **early application for ILA is strongly advised.**

## SAAS

The COSCA Certificate is registered with SAAS for the Part Time Fee Grant.

If you are eligible under SAAS criteria, a SAAS Part Time Fee Grant will contribute around £320 towards the total course cost of £1168.

**NB** Please check SAAS's eligibility criteria to ensure you meet them, and apply for funding well in advance of the course start, as the funding should if possible be in place before the enrolment date.

## Fee waiver

Unlike the Introduction to Counselling, the COSCA course is not an SQA course, and fee waiver is not available, even if you are eligible under the guidelines.