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Pearson UK – Weekly advanced learner loan update

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The weekly advanced learner loan update lets you know which qualifications Pearson are currently submitting, and plan to submit, for advanced learner loan funding. The update can be found on the [Pearson UK website](#) along with [Funding News](#) which provides a regular round-up of news, and [Funding Focus documents](#) which provide quick summaries of recent funding developments, or particular aspects of the funding system. Internal and external colleagues can sign up to receive [Funding News](#) directly to their inbox by [subscribing here](#).

This weekly learner loan update has been introduced to let you know which qualifications Pearson are currently submitting for advanced learner loan funding. This, and future updates, will be available on the [Pearson funding website](#). It includes information on the submission process, qualifications eligible for loans, the extension of the loan offer in 2016/17, and further information and links.

If you wish to make a request for Pearson to submit a qualification for loan funding that isn't on this list, or isn't already confirmed for loan funding on the [funding hub](#) or on the SFA's [Advanced learner loans qualifications catalogue](#), please email funding@pearson.com

Pearson's advanced learner loan submissions

QN	Title	Qualification specification	Status
600/1490/8	Pearson Edexcel Level 3 Certificate in Providing Financial Services (QCF)	Click here	Submitted in May Approved and on SFA loan catalogue
600/3994/2	Pearson Edexcel Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Wall and Floor Tiling (Construction) (QCF)	Click here	Plan to submit in July
600/9097/2	Pearson Edexcel Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Decorative Finishing - Painting and Decorating (Construction) (QCF)	Click here	Plan to submit in July
600/3263/7	Pearson Edexcel Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Plastering (Construction) (QCF)	Click here	Plan to submit in July
500/9771/4	Pearson Edexcel Level 6 NVQ Diploma in Senior Site Inspection (QCF)	Click here	Plan to submit in July
601/6283/1	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Recruitment Practice (QCF)	Click here	Plan to submit in July
601/6188/7	Pearson Edexcel Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Recruitment (QCF)	Click here	Plan to submit in July
600/0872/6	Pearson BTEC Level 3 Certificate in Hospitality and Catering Principles (Professional Cookery) (QCF)	Click here	Plan to submit in July
600/3924/3	Pearson Edexcel Level 3 Diploma in Retail Skills (Sales Professional) (QCF)	Click here	Plan to submit in July
600/4105/5	Pearson Edexcel Level 3 Diploma in Retail Skills (Management) (QCF)	Click here	Plan to submit in July



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The submission process

The process is monthly:



Qualifications eligible for advanced learner loans

- QAA Access to HE Diplomas, GCE Advanced Level (A-level) and Advanced Subsidiary Level (AS-level) and Tech level and Applied general qualifications the (DfE) recognises in their 16-19 performance tables are automatically designated for the loans offer.
- Other qualifications can be added if they meet the SFA's criteria: it supports progression to and through higher-level technical and professional education and skills; direct entry to a specific job role; continuing professional development in an occupation; or upskilling or reskilling in an occupational area. Qualifications must be 150 GLH or 15 credits (though exceptions can be considered).
- Qualifications that are required by a licensing authority so an individual can operate in a regulated job role, or that provide training to meet employers' legislative responsibilities such as Health and Safety, First Aid and Food Safety, cannot be considered for loan funding.

The extension of the loan offer in 2016/17

- From 2016/17 the loans offer will be extended to **19-23** year-olds studying for a repeat level 3 or level 4 qualification (previously only available to 24+ year-olds), and for those aged 19 and over studying for a **level 5 or 6** qualification (previously only available for levels 3 and 4).
- Delivery to 19-23 learners, and delivery of level 5 and 6 qualifications, cannot begin until the start of the 2016/17 funding year. Applications for the expanded advanced learner loan can be made from May 2016 for courses starting from 1 August 2016.

Further information and links

- The full rules for designating qualifications for loan can be found in the SFA guide: [Advanced learner loans prospectus 2015 to 2016 and 2016 to 2017: designating qualifications](#).
- Qualifications designated for loan funding can be found on the [funding hub](#), and a list can be found in the SFA's [Advanced learner loans qualifications catalogue](#).
- A useful summary of information for colleges, training organisations and employers about advanced learner loans can be found on the SFA's [Advanced learner loans: an overview](#) page.
- The full rules for provision funded by learners through advanced learner loans can be found in the SFA's [Advanced learner loans funding rules](#).

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