

## Funding for night classes:

**If you are in receipt of a Social Welfare payment, you may be eligible for a grant to pay for your Professionally certified Night class**

The Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection (DEASP) Training Support Grant scheme is designed to fund quick access to short term training or related interventions, obtain or renew qualifications for jobseekers who have identified work opportunities or where the Department case officers have identified an immediate skills gap as an obstacle to taking up a job offer or accessing other activation interventions.

A **maximum amount of €1,000** per annum may be made available within a 12 month period for each jobseeker, where appropriate. This is the overall total for each jobseeker, regardless of the number of courses sought/required.

Eligible Schemes & Payments:

- Jobseeker's Allowance (incl. Casuals, Credits only)\*
- Jobseeker's Benefit (incl. Casuals, JBSE, Credits only)\*
- Jobseeker's Transition payment\*
- Blind Pension
- Carer's Allowance
- Disability Allowance
- Deserted Wives Allowance (DWA) / Deserted Wives Benefit (DWB)
- Farm/Fish Assist (FA)
- Illness Benefit for 6 months or more
- Invalidity Pension
- One Parent Family Payment
- Pandemic Unemployment Payment (PUP)\*
- Qualified Adults of Jobseekers payment who are job-seeking ONLY (activation measure)
- Widows/Widowers Contributory/Non-Contributory
- Youth Employment Support Scheme (YESS)
- Rural Social Scheme (RSS)
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- Widows/Widowers Contributory/Non-Contributory
- Work Experience Placement programme (WEPP)
- Youth Employment Support Scheme (YESS)

*\*Must continue to be genuinely seeking work (GSW) and available to work*

See <https://www.gov.ie/en/service/11dbee-training-support-grant/> for more information.

## Case Officers

Contact your local Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection Case Officer to apply for funding. <https://www.gov.ie/en/directory/category/e1f4b5-intreo-offices/>

## Operational Guidelines

Detailed operational guidelines reference for Case

Officers: <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/0a962-operational-guidelines-training-support-grant/>