



WHAT IS BARCLAYS LIFESKILLS?

Barclays LifeSkills aims to give young people the skills and confidence necessary for today's rapidly changing work environment. The programme supports some of the UK's most underserved and underrepresented communities helping them to tackle barriers they face getting into and staying in work.

Providing free tools and lesson resources online to develop employability and money skills, educators working with young people have 150+ hours of curriculum linked content for use in the classroom, and anyone over the age of 14 has tailored content to use independently or together as a family.

LifeSkills is centred around core transferable skills such as problem solving and communication which can transfer to any job or industry, as well as the practical elements of applying for jobs from CV writing and interview techniques to networking, enterprise and managing money.

LifeSkills extends the reach of the programme into schools and colleges across Scotland that meet specific socio-economic deprivation criteria. These are delivered through workshops facilitated by BITC.



School workshops

To ensure the programme reaches the young people who need the most support, BITC works with secondary schools in areas of higher deprivation in Glasgow and Kilmarnock to deliver a fully-funded programme of workshops.

By providing tailored, pre-employment training we work together to help students to develop the skills and confidence, that can help them to define their own career path.

BITC facilitators work closely with teachers, students and Barclays volunteers to deliver face-to-face and virtual workshops to equip young people with core transferable skills such as:

- CV writing
- Interview skills
- Money management skills
- Problem solving
- Creativity
- Resilience
- Communication
- Online reputation management

The workshops are developed to support young people to feel more positive about the future, build their aspirations and motivate them to do better in their academic and vocational studies.

“I now know how to save money and present my CV and how to make it stand out. It has helped me learn new qualities and strengths about myself.”

Eastbank Academy Pupil

FIND OUT MORE

If have any further questions about joining a session or would like an overview of lessons and resources, please email the Barclays LifeSkills Scotland team at lifeskillsscotland@bitc.org.uk