



# Micro-credential Learner Fee Subsidy

## FAQ Document

### Which Trinity College micro-credentials have subsidised places available?

Eligible learners on 10 Trinity micro-credentials starting in autumn 2026 can avail of an 80% fee subsidy through a new Micro-credential Learner Fee Subsidy funded by the Higher Education Authority (HEA) and the Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science.

Trinity micro-credentials with subsidised places available are:

- **Advanced Spatial Analysis using GIS** (starting 15<sup>th</sup> September 2026)
- **AI for Healthcare Professionals** (starting 30<sup>th</sup> September 2026)
- **Air Pollution: Monitoring Assessment and Control** (starting 15<sup>th</sup> September 2026)
- **Climate Leadership Development** (starting 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2026)
- **Creating Value with ESG** (starting 26<sup>th</sup> October 2026)
- **Digital Health - Understanding the application of technology in modern healthcare** (starting 14<sup>th</sup> September 2026)
- **Driving Performance with AI and Analytics** (starting 29<sup>th</sup> October 2026)
- **Mastering AI in Digital Marketing** (starting 8<sup>th</sup> October 2026)
- **Solar Energy Conversion and Application** (starting 15<sup>th</sup> September 2026)
- **Transport Modelling and Planning** (starting 15<sup>th</sup> September 2026)

### How do I know if I am eligible to apply for the subsidy?

Please refer to the eligibility criteria here: <https://microcreds.ie/subsidy-eligibility>.

### How do I apply?

To avail of a subsidised place, you must submit your application through the Springboard+ platform at <https://springboardcourses.ie/>.

To search for Trinity micro-credentials, click on *Search Courses*, select Trinity College Dublin from the dropdown under *Providers* and tick the *Only show Micro-credential courses* box as below.



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<b>Providers</b> <input type="text" value="Trinity College Dublin"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Only show ICT Skills Conversion courses.
<b>Course Level</b> <input type="text" value="Please choose one or more"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Only show courses that are currently accepting applications.
<b>Skills area</b> <input type="text" value="Please choose one or more"/>	<b>Delivery methods</b> <input type="text" value="Please choose one or more"/>

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### What supporting documents do I need?

You will need to upload a CV and a copy of your level 8 degree transcript (or highest-level qualification) as part of your application on the Springboard+ platform.

You will be asked to upload supporting documentation in the *Notices and Consents* section of the application.

The following documents are required:

- Curriculum Vitae
- Level 8 Degree Certificate - Read the information under Level 8 Degree Certificate carefully as additional supporting documents are required in some cases.

The following documents are not required:

- Statement of Interest
- Reference 1
- Reference 2

Note that you will be requested to upload these on the Springboard+ platform, please ignore these fields.

### What happens after I submit my application?

Your application and supporting documents will be reviewed by Trinity and your application will be updated to Successful or Unsuccessful.

If your application is successful and you accept a provisional place on the Springboard+ platform, you will then be contacted by Trinity 6 weeks before the start of your course and asked to complete and submit an applicant eligibility declaration form. This document will be used to verify your eligibility for the Learner Fee Subsidy. If your eligibility is verified, you will be sent a link to register directly with Trinity College Dublin for the micro-credential. You must then pay the remaining 20% of the course fee.



### **How much will I need to pay?**

The Micro-credential Learner Fee Subsidy will cover 80% of your course fees. You, or your employer, must pay the remaining 20% directly to Trinity. As applications are made through the Springboard site, you may see some references to different subsidy percentages based on employment status, this does not apply to micro-credentials. **The micro-credential fee subsidy is 80% regardless of employment status.**

### **If I meet the eligibility requirements, am I guaranteed a subsidised place on the course?**

No, subsidised places are limited and will be offered on a first come first served basis to applicants who both meet the course entry requirements and are eligible for the fee subsidy so it is important that you submit your applicant eligibility declaration form when requested to do so by Trinity (6 weeks before the start of your course).

### **Can I apply if I'm not eligible for the fee subsidy?**

If you do not meet the learner fee subsidy eligibility criteria, you can apply directly to Trinity College Dublin. Visit the relevant course page on the Trinity website (<https://www.tcd.ie/courses/microcredentials/>) and click the *Apply* button. Full fees will be payable (by you and/or your employer) if successful through this application route.