



SFC Industry-led course exclusions

1. College activity delivered beyond 18 credits to FE students or 15 credits to HE students, referred to as one plus activity, can be justified if a student's employment prospects can be improved by completing additional units that better prepare them for the workplace.
2. The tolerance level for one plus activity remains at 2.5% for colleges/regions in AY 2019-20. However, SFC has agreed that some industry-led courses that consistently require substantial credits for work placements or additional modules can be excluded from a college's/region's one plus activity count if there is evidence of need.
3. The need for one plus activity and its educational/employment benefits **must** be clearly demonstrable and evidenced, and agreed with the college/region's Outcome Agreement Manager.
4. If, after discussing with the college/region's Outcome Agreement Manager, a course is deemed to be an industry-led course justifiably requiring a higher level of engagement then an application can be submitted to SFC to have the course considered for one-plus activity exclusion.
5. For AY 2019-20 activity colleges/regions must complete in full the SFC Industry-led course exclusion form as detailed in Annex D and submit this to SFC for consideration by **30 September 2019**. Additional exclusion requests will only be accepted after this date in exceptional circumstances.
6. Courses that are on the one plus activity exclusion list and courses that colleges/regions are granted approval for on the submission of the Industry-led course exclusion form - colleges/regions must flag the course on FES 1 as an approved One Plus course. See [SFC/GD/01/2019 – FES Guidance 2019-20](#).
7. This list will be updated on SFC's website when any additional national courses are added.
8. Currently, the following courses excluded from the one plus count are:
 - City and Guilds Extended Diploma Courses (applicable **only** to Bricklaying, Plastering, Bench Joinery, and Paint/Decorating courses).
 - HNC Care and Administrative Practice (applicable **only** to students who are articulating to year 2 of a Nursing Degree programme).
 - Oil and Gas Industry training (OPITO) – as agreed with relevant institutions

- Engineering Construction Industry training (ECITB) – as agreed with relevant institutions.
- Access to higher education for adult learners (SWAP) – individual course credit activity levels will be agreed with SWAP within institutional frameworks.
- City and Guilds Wind Turbine Technician Diploma.
- SVQ Electrical Installation at SCQF level 7 (SECTT) – first year of course only and up to a maximum of 20 credits.

9. The following courses are still under review:

- HNC and HND Childhood Practice up to a maximum of 18 credits for each full-time year.