EtonX Free Course Offer FAQs

My child's school is closed and I'm looking for an online learning solution for my child. How can I sign up?

If your child is a pupil at a <u>UK state school</u>, they can direct a teacher from their school to apply for our free self-study courses for their year group by <u>submitting this form</u>.

If your child is in <u>at an independent school or you are based outside the UK</u>, the full range of courses in EtonX's Future Skills programme courses are available for purchase. There are different modes of study: self-study courses are available for purchase for \$59 USD or tutored courses where students study in a group of up to 7 other students with live online classes are also available from \$299. If you are interested, you can explore the courses available and sign up by <u>clicking here</u>.

Please note that for the time being we are offering each school access for two year groups so your child may not be in the year group selected by their school.

Which year group would you recommend should be offered the courses? Will you offer them for other year groups later?

EtonX course are suitable for students aged 14+. We are recommending that they be used for Years 11 and 13. Eton College understands that for teachers of Years 11 and 13, the school closures present a particular challenge. These students should have been revising for and sitting exams but with all public exams cancelled, there is an opportunity for students to prepare for their next steps, either into A levels or further education for Year 11s or into higher education or the workplace for Year 13s. The EtonX courses are very well suited for these students because they help develop skills essential for these transitions.

We hope to be able to extend the scheme to other year groups once we have fulfilled the initial demand.

Not all of the courses are available to state schools. Why is that?

Eton College has selected the courses which it believes are most suitable for students in the UK.

Your website is charging for courses, but I thought they were free. How can I apply for a free course?

We are offering 7 of our self-study courses free of charge to <u>teachers</u> applying on behalf of their students, in the <u>UK only</u>. This is a special arrangement as part of Eton's response to the on-going global coronavirus crisis. If you are a teacher at the UK state school and would like to take up the offer, please submit <u>this form</u> and we will be in touch with you shortly.

EtonX is a wholly owned trading subsidiary of Eton College which sells and delivers courses to students all over the world. Courses are available to purchase for other year groups, students at independent schools or students based outside the UK. EtonX has discounted intensive tutored courses available for students affected by school closures. You can find out more and sign up by clicking here.

I am a student at a UK state-school. Can I apply for a free course?

You may be eligible for a free self-study course if your school/teacher applies on behalf of you. The offer is open to any teacher at a UK state-school, so you can direct your teachers to apply for free

self-study courses for their year group by <u>submitting this form</u>. Please note that your teacher will be asked to choose one course from a selection of seven courses in the EtonX Future Skills Programme for your year group. Note too that for the time being we are offering each school access for two year groups so you may not be in the year group selected by your school.

I am a teacher/parent from outside the UK. Can I still apply for a free course for my child?

The offer is open to any teacher at a UK state school so if you do not fit these criteria then unfortunately, we are not able to offer you free access to courses. EtonX has discounted intensive tutored courses available for students affected by school closures. These courses are two weeks long, include seven live, online classes with an EtonX tutor and up to eight other students and approximately one hour of self-study activities per day. You can find out more and sign up by clicking here.

You can also purchase self-study courses which are available for purchase at etonx.com for \$59 USD. We have 11 online, future skills courses that include 7 - 10 hours of highly engaging and interactive learning materials that enhance academic performance today and prepare students for a successful future at university and in the workplace. Browse the courses available and sign up by <u>clicking here</u>.

What do you mean by self-study course?

Our self-study courses are flexible, allowing students to work through the content at their own pace. They will gain access to 7 - 10 hours of highly engaging and interactive learning materials full of scenario-based decision tasks, video interviews with subject experts and interactive reading tasks. Our course materials encourage students to reflect on their learning and to transfer their learning into their own lives.

Do you provide teaching materials to help teachers?

Yes, teachers will have access to a Teacher Resource Pack per course which gives an overview of the course, ideas for discussion questions and follow up activities.

If I take up the offer, how can I find out what my students are doing online?

Teachers will have access to their students' gradebook and progress records so they can see how much of the course each student has completed and what grades they have achieved.

What do students get if they complete the course?

Students completing at least 95% of a course will be able to download a transcript and an EtonX certificate as proof of completion.

Where can I read more about the content of the courses?

You can find more detail on the content of all courses offered by EtonX on the courses page on the EtonX website. To go to the courses page now, please <u>click here</u>. Please also find the course catalogue attached to this email with more detailed information on specific courses.

My child is 12. Are they allowed to apply for free courses?

All EtonX courses are for students aged 14–20 years old, therefore we do not accept students outside this age range.

My son is at Eton, can I get free access to a course?

We are finalising plans to allow Etonians access to EtonX courses as part of the Virtual School which we've set up to respond to the coronavirus situation.

I would like to know even more detail about what my child will be learning during their course. Please can you provide some more information on the syllabus?

Please refer to course syllabus PDFs – [these can be attached to emails.] Also find the core course themes outlined below:

Creative Problem Solving

- Generate fresh and innovative ideas to solve real-world problems
- Learn how to articulate your ideas creatively
- Overcome problems and persist with the creative process

CV Writing

- Identify your personal skills and abilities and how to demonstrate them on your CV
- Common CV errors and how to avoid them
- How to adapt your CV and develop it in the future

Interview Skills

- Mastering university, internship or job interview preparation
- Learn strategies for answering different question types Conquer nerves, feel in control and make an excellent impression

Making an Impact

- Learn assertiveness techniques to help you take control of your life, while considering others.
- Moderate your body language and tone of voice to convey your message clearly and confidently.
- Learn influencing and persuasion techniques to help you to achieve desired outcomes

Research Skills

- Research techniques to help you plan and organise your research for essays or other projects
- Increase your academic confidence by tackling more complex texts with new reading strategies
- Evaluate sources, reference correctly and share your results in a clear and convincing way

Resilience

- Gain insights into your emotions and start to manage your academic, personal and social wellbeing
- Bounce back from failure and develop a growth mindset for lifelong learning
- Practise regular gratitude and build positive and supportive personal networks

Writing Skills

- Start the right way: breaking the essay question down and planning a line of argument
- Save time with techniques for efficient planning and for writing introductions and conclusions

• Explore your academic writing voice and learn how to express your ideas elegantly and accurately