**Life-Long Learning**

The aim of Life-Long Learning is to

“*Encourage greater variety and more flexible innovative teaching approaches, in conjunction with The Curve, to improve retention and ensure that all learners are able to maximise their learning opportunities taking into account the needs of international learners and those from more diverse educational backgrounds”.*

Through Life-Long Learning we are putting in place educational opportunities for people to ensure that no matter what stage they are at in life that there are appropriate educational programmes that will deliver what they need at that particular time.

Objectives:

* Promoting equality in higher education
* Developing broader range of entry routes
* Expansion of part-time/flexible courses

Lifelong learning co-ordinates part-time programmes, including Springboard. Part-time learners accounted for 17% of the student population in 2012/13.

The principal lifelong learning programme that we deliver at LYIT is our Level 6 Access Programme. To date, 1600 students have completed this course, with 65% progressing on to full-time mainstream programmes.

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