Staff FAQ

Why is this being offered?

Blue Light Card is available to people working in higher education, recognising the contribution they make to students and communities across the UK.

Who's eligible for a Blue Light Card?

Anyone employed at a recognised UK Higher Education provider, plus retirees from one.

Who isn't eligible?

Students, including postgraduate researchers, student union staff, and unpaid honorary, visiting or emeritus titles.

How much does it cost?

£4.99 for two years of access to thousands of discounts and rewards online and on the high street, paid individually by you. Many members find their card pays for itself in as little as one transaction, on average, members could save £3,126 a year with their Blue Light Card.

What discounts are included?

Thousands, from everyday shopping and eating out to travel, tech and subscriptions, across 15,000+ UK brands.

What do I need to apply?

A staff or site ID card that names your institution, or a payslip or letter that names your institution. Retirees can apply via their occupational pension scheme.

How long does verification take?

Most straightforward applications are approved almost instantly. Where an application can't be confirmed automatically, it's reviewed by a member of the Blue Light Card team before a final decision is made.

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