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## Unpaid Carers at Edinburgh Napier University

At Edinburgh Napier University we recognise the additional barriers many unpaid carers face to access higher education. We offer a range of initiatives to help carers to fully participate in higher education, offering support throughout the academic journey from **pre-application** to **graduation stages**, working in partnership with secondary schools, colleges and carer organisations at each step along the way.

### Who is a Carer?

A carer is an individual who provides unpaid physical or emotional support, on a regular basis, to someone who otherwise would require paid for support, or who could not manage independently without assistance. This could be for a relative, partner or friend who has a long-term physical or mental illness, addiction, disability or is too frail to look after themselves.

### What support is available?

The University provides support in the form of:

- Community outreach by working with carer groups, advocacy organisations, schools and colleges;
- Pre-application and pre-entry guidance;
- Offering 'minimum' (adjusted) entry requirements for applicants with Higher qualifications;
- In-study help e.g. wellbeing services, class timetabling (where possible);
- Access to Named Contact support provided by the Widening Participation team.

### Require Further Information?

For course enquiries, please visit:

[napier.ac.uk/courses](http://napier.ac.uk/courses)

To contact the University's Named Contact, please email:

[wideningaccess@napier.ac.uk](mailto:wideningaccess@napier.ac.uk)

or visit our webpages by searching:

'Edinburgh Napier Widening Participation'



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