



**Enterprising
Students**
Changing your world with an idea



Enterprising Students Grant

The Ayrshire College Foundation will provide funding of grants up to £5000 for students of Ayrshire College who are interested in developing ideas to start up their own business.

Interested?

Sign up with Ayrshire College and Bridge 2 Business;

- ✓ Meet with Lynn Kelly Programme Executive, Bridge 2 Business – Ayrshire College
- ✓ Enrol in the Bridge 2 Business programme to develop enterprise skills and business plan
- ✓ Connect with local support partners and employers to share ideas and gain advice
- ✓ Access the FREE resources available to develop your business skills
- ✓ Access the £100 test grant to put ideas into practice
- ✓ Apply for the Enterprising Students Grant of up to £5,000 (No age limit)

In partnership with Bridge 2 Business, students who are interested in applying for this grant will benefit from the below support and resources.

Benefits;

- **Inspire;**
 - Free online assessment tool to generate your enterprise profile - <https://portal.talentstrengths.com/publicCampaign.htm?code=yes-mej>
 - Students will be mentored by the Bridge 2 Business programme executive to create a business development plan, and access the support and advice needed at the early stages of planning a business during regular one 2 one sessions on campus.
 - Students can select a Local Hero from the Bridge 2 Business programme as a mentor - <https://bridge2business.org.uk/heroes.php>
- **Connect;**
 - Bridge to Business have a wide variety of support partners that are available to advise and support the students - <https://bridge2business.org.uk/resources.php> These support partners can be invited to future events, and referrals can be arranged to connect with students.
 - Students can attend future annual YES Events to network and meet support companies

- Invite to all regional events will take place at Ayrshire College campuses.

- **Support;**
 - FREE online Digital Skills Training Courses offered by Accenture - (7 in total)
 - £100 “Test the market” – grant from Bridge 2 Business – available via application which takes 4-6 weeks to process.
 - FREE Market stalls to promote and sell business products and ideas to customers – in collaboration with our support partners, Royal Bank of Scotland branches.

To find out more contact Lynn.kelly@yes.org.uk