

Working for our Children's Future

Higher Education, Training and Skills



“Our vision is to equip all our young people with the highest level of skills possible, whether in Further Education or Higher Education. This will be done by providing an education setting for all young people up to the age of 18.

For Wales to be at its best, we need a world class education system that provides our people with the skills required for well-paid, high skilled jobs.”

Simon Thomas AM, Spokesperson for Education

Plaid Cymru wants to get more people in Wales into work, with better pay and conditions. We will improve work opportunities for all – helping people get higher paid jobs, guaranteeing support for young people going to work for the first time and those who currently find it difficult to get a job.



Mike Parker
Plaid Cymru Candidate for Ceredigion

Plaid Cymru has worked for Wales

- Plaid Cymru AMs secured funding to create thousands of new apprenticeships across Wales from 2013 onwards, and a deal for the Menai Science Park in North Wales, showing how we value both academic and vocational education.
- As part of the One Wales Government, we secured funding for the Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol – the first plan for a national Welsh language higher education, training new researchers and lecturers and offering Welsh language higher education courses.
- We opposed the rise in tuition fees at Westminster to £9,000 per year for undergraduate courses.
- In government, we supported a policy of subsidising Welsh students so that they wouldn't be penalised by the changes at Westminster.
- We called for a cross-party consensus to ensure that student fees are sustainable in the long-term and meet the needs of Welsh Higher Education Institutions, and welcome the formation of the cross-party Diamond Review.