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Lord Morrow has asked:

To ask the Minister for Employment and Learning how many adults aged over nineteen with special needs are enrolled as students, broken down by educational facility.

ANSWER

In answering this question the term 'Special Needs' has been defined as the number of students aged 19 and over who reported a disability. Figures are presented separately in the attached Annex for the Northern Ireland Higher Education Institutions, Further Education Colleges and Training providers in 2011/12.



**DR STEPHEN FARRY MLA
Minister for Employment and Learning**



Higher Education

Institution	Students with Special Needs/Disability aged 19 and Over
Queen's University of Belfast	1,095
University of Ulster	1,660
Stranmillis University College	50
St Mary's University College	45
Total	2,845

Source: Higher Education Statistics Agency

Notes:

1. Figures in the table are rounded to the nearest 5. Due to rounding the sum of the column may not match the total shown.
2. The latest available data are for 2011/12.
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Further Education

Further Education College	Students with Special Needs/Disability aged 19 and Over
Belfast Metropolitan	885
Northern Regional	775
South Eastern Regional	765
Southern Regional	520
South West Regional	695
North West Regional	750
Total	4,390

Source: FESR

1. Data relates to enrolments over the whole academic year. Government training is excluded.
2. Disability is based on a self declaration by the student at enrolment to the FE college.
3. Age is at 01st July 2011.
4. To prevent the identification of individuals, figures in the attached tables are rounded to the nearest 5, with 0, 1, 2 rounded to 0.
5. Due to rounding the sum of numbers in each row or column may not match the total shown.

Occupancy on DEL Training Programmes (TfS/PLA/AppsNI) for the quarter ending October 2012 (1), for trainees aged over 19, recorded as having special needs.

Supplier	Number ⁽²⁾
A4e	39
BCW Training Ltd	*
Belfast Central Training Limited	7
Belfast College Of Training + Education	*
Belfast Metropolitan College	24
Bombardier - Shorts	8
Craft Recruitment	*
Customized Training Services Ltd	6
Dairy Farm People First(Belfast)	16
Engineering Training Council (NI)	*
First4skills	26
Impact Training (NI) Ltd	7
Jennymount Training Services/Hair Academy	8
Loughview Training College	*
North City Training Ltd	*
North Down Training Ltd	*
North West Regional College (Training Direct)	*
Northern Ireland Electricity Plc	*
NRC	*
Oriel Training Services	*
Paragon Training NI Ltd	18
Plumbing And Mechanical Services Training (NI)	*
RT Resources	*
Rutledge Joblink	60
Seven Towers Training Ltd (Antrim)	*
South Eastern Regional College	12
South West College	*
Southern Regional College	6
Springvale Training	18
Swann Training Services	*
Transport Training Services	6
VT Training	25
Youth Action NI	*
Total	321

Source: extracted from the DEL Client Management System on 25th January 2013

1. This is the latest date for which information is available
2. Cells marked with an asterisk (*) have been suppressed because they contain small numbers which otherwise could allow the identification of individuals