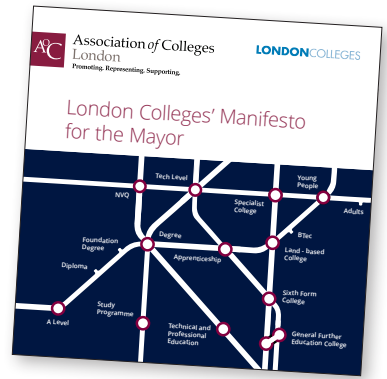




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## Summary of our recommendations

### Skills and employment

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- 1 The next Mayor needs to ensure that there is a diverse adult education and training offer and encourage individuals to invest in their own further education through Advanced Learner Loans.
- 2 The next Mayor must ensure that the maximum amount of devolved funding is devoted to the front-line delivery of education and training for students.
- 3 The next Mayor should lobby for adequate and sustainable funding of English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) and for an entitlement for non-English speakers to study English for free.
- 4 The next Mayor should help colleges to employ teachers in hard-to-recruit sectors by providing specific support to these professionals as they look to meet housing costs in London.

### Apprenticeships

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- 5 The next Mayor should influence Ministers to ensure London gets its fair share of the levy to support apprentices.
- 6 The next Mayor should set a target and monitor the proportion of apprenticeships taken up by London residents.
- 7 The next Mayor should engage with employers to ensure the training offered to new apprentices is high-quality.

### Area reviews

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- 8 The next Mayor should ensure that the area reviews support colleges to continue to have the autonomy to deliver high-quality, technical and professional education to Londoners.
- 9 The next Mayor should examine the size and performance of all school and academy sixth forms in London with a view to no sixth form having fewer than 250 students.

### Transport

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- 10 The next Mayor should commit to maintain current free travel arrangements for students in London and look to further reduce the amount paid by students and apprentices for tube journeys.