

T Level Professional Development offer (TLPD) Advisory Group members

Background

The ETF is developing an offer to support colleges and providers who will be delivering T Levels in 2020 and beyond. The aim of the offer is to ensure that further education and post-16 providers are T Level-ready. This means ensuring that teachers and trainers have the teaching skills, subject knowledge and confidence needed to deliver a high quality T Level programme from the outset. The flexible offer will be shaped around the needs of providers and their workforce alongside relevant regional, employer and curriculum needs. There is more information on the ETF website about the offer <https://www.etf-foundation.co.uk/supporting/technical-education/tlevels/>.

ETF is setting up an Advisory Group to help to shape the TLPD offer to ensure it is high quality and relevant through reviewing materials, resources and content.

The role

The objectives of the Advisory Group are to ensure:

- materials and resources are relevant, current, high quality and based on the latest evidence of what makes effective pedagogy
- delivery is appropriate for the range of providers that will be delivering T Levels including the content and mode of delivery
- new strands of work are scoped in line with policy requirements and provider need
- changes are made to the offer on an ongoing basis to ensure a high quality offer.

The group will advise on the shape and content of the offer. Accountability for delivery of the TLPD offer will not sit with this group. The group will be serviced by the TLPD operational team which sits within the wider ETF Sector Development team. Sam Dilliway-Davies, who is Head of T Level Professional Development, is the operational lead.

The group will carry out activities including the following:

- Review draft materials/resources.
- Review detailed plans for delivery.
- Input into Invitations to Tender (where no potential conflict of interest).
- Shape development of new strands of work that are part of TLPD offer including highlighting any gaps.
- Share information about other CPD related to technical education and identify areas of potential duplication with existing material.

The Advisory Group will be set up in March 2019 and will be reviewed at the end of March 2020.

It is not intended that the group would meet on a regular basis. When resources, materials, detailed proposals etc. are available, these would be sent to members, or to a sub-set of members, to review. Not all members would review materials every time, ETF will select

members on the basis of knowledge/expertise and Advisory Group members will respond on the basis of capacity and match of skills and experience. Due to the importance of the role, there will be times when a short turnaround is needed for comments.

It is anticipated that the time commitment will be around five days to March 2020. Members that engage in reviewing materials and resources will receive some compensation for their time.

Skills and experience

Advisory Group members are expected to demonstrate some or all of the knowledge and experience below:

- Understanding of the technical education reforms, particularly the introduction of T Levels.
- Knowledge of technical education theory and evidence.
- Knowledge of technical education practice.
- Expertise in effective professional learning and development, including online training.
- Experience of working in the further education sector (range of roles in a range of provider types).
- Experience of preparing to deliver T Levels (at different stages of delivery).

We welcome applications from people from a range of organisations including:

- T Level leads in providers delivering T Levels in 2020 and 2021.
- Technical teachers in providers delivering T Levels in 2020 and 2021.
- Staff in providers planning to deliver T Levels in the future.
- Academics with an interest in technical education.
- Stakeholders with an interest in T Levels.

How to apply

Please submit a CV (maximum 3 pages) and a paragraph stating your reasons for applying. Please email applications to Sam Dilliway-Davies (sam.dilliway-davies@etfoundation.co.uk) **by 5pm on 19 March 2019.**

Further Information

If you would like further information about the Advisory Group please contact Sam Dilliway-Davies (sam.dilliway-davies@etfoundation.co.uk).

The Advisory Group is not the only opportunity to get involved in helping to shape the TLPD offer. ETF will continue to engage with stakeholders that are not part of the Advisory Group. Please contact Sam for further information about how to get involved.