

# National Professional Qualifications for Senior Leadership (NPQSL)

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improvement and change



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- Gain a prestigious, government-backed senior leadership qualification and make progress in your career
- Grow your expertise as a senior leader, creating a culture where pupils and staff thrive, learning how to bring staff with you on the journey
- Learn flexibly around your job with a blend of online learning, virtual sessions and local face to face workshops
- A completely updated NPQSL for those who are, or are aspiring to be, a senior leader with cross-school or cross-trust responsibilities



## Benefits for you

Our NPQSL qualification is aligned to the Chartered College of Teaching's Chartered Leader Status, providing a springboard for your next steps.

## Benefits for Participants

- Develop expertise in the art, craft and science of school improvement through people development, understanding how to lead everything from whole school programmes to specialist areas
- A blended learning experience which fits around your role where you learn and discuss key content online – no more sitting listening to presentations for hours
- Local virtual and face to face sessions that focus on real problem-solving, creating understanding, connecting with your peers and gaining depth of knowledge
- Ongoing preparation to give you confidence to pass the final assessment
- Facilitation and support from serving school leaders in excellent schools and delivery at local venues



## The course

An 18-month blend of flexible online learning, online discussion, virtual workshops and face to face workshops. This is followed by an 8-day assessment window where you will complete a 1500-word case study assessment to demonstrate your understanding of real leadership and change.

The course covers all of the core content in the **government's Framework** for this qualification and this is aligned with core themes around: effective communication, creating change, working with teams, managing yourself. Key areas include:

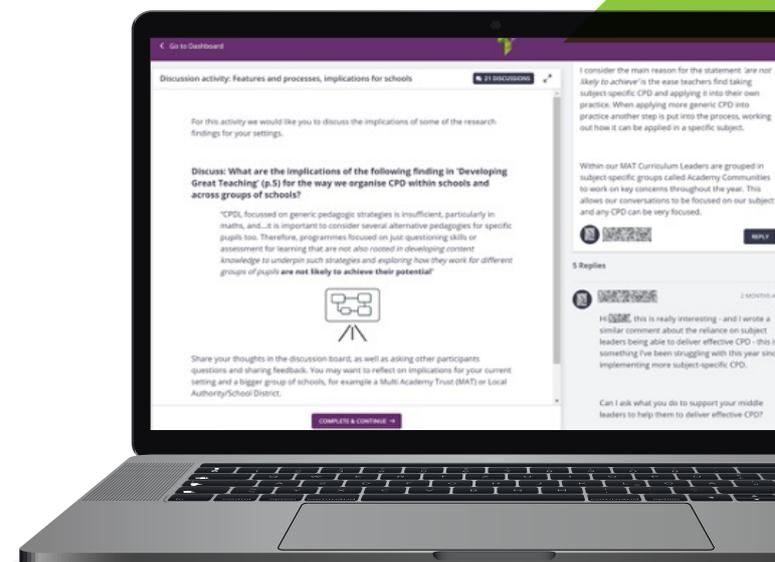
- Creating effective teaching, curriculum, assessment and culture
- Leading effective professional development, change and implementation
- Managing a school's systems and processes, working with partners and governors

## Benefits for your school or trust

- A skilful and research-informed leader who can contribute to a cohesive, impact-focused school leadership team
- Practical capability to get on with the job of developing others with the skills to lead with people and teams, creating change and impact
- A professionally aware and informed leader who can make evidence-based decisions and approach senior leadership in an effective and efficient manner
- The ability to review and evaluate practice in order to bring about change and get the best outcomes for young people and staff within the organisation

## Suitability

A completely updated NPQSL for those who are, or are aspiring to be, a senior leader with cross-school or cross-trust responsibilities.



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*The course had a huge impact on my professional life this year [...] it reignited my desire to learn in an academic sense.”*

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*One of the most powerful things about it has been that I feel empowered, by knowledge, by understanding and to enact change [...] crucially, ensuring a shared purpose with a strong focus on student outcomes must be central, to provide colleagues with the same empowered feeling.”*

## Booking information

### Cost

**The course fee is £1,149**

The DfE is funding many NPQ courses in the form of extensive scholarships for eligible participants.

- Participants employed by state-maintained schools, academies and free-schools will be fully funded by the DfE if the school is in the top 30th percentile of the country by Pupil Premium. *Academy 16-19, Academy 16-19 converter, Free schools 16-19, Local authority nursery school are exempt.*

### More information

The Teacher Development Trust is an internationally leading charity in the fields of staff development and school improvement through people development. Founded by practising teachers and leaders in 2012, we've helped hundreds of schools and leaders to create lasting improvement.

Find out more about TDT NPQs, our charitable mission and work at [TDTrust.org/npqs](https://www.tdtrust.org/npqs)

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Windsor Academy Trust has proudly developed exceptional, talented teachers, leaders and professional services staff in schools for over a decade. We are committed to delivering outstanding and innovative professional development across the Midlands and beyond.

Our programmes support individuals at all stages of their leadership journey, from getting prepared for leadership to senior leadership and headship. These provide proven high-quality content, structured to ensure a positive impact on schools with 99% pass rates for individuals on national qualifications.

We are part of a range of professional learning networks and work with industry-leading partners, such as the Chartered College of Teaching and Confederation of School Trusts, local Teaching School Hubs and Multi-Academy Trusts to deliver outstanding continuous professional development.

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