Striving for Excellence

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About SET

The Society for Education and Training (SET) is the only professional membership body dedicated to teachers working in further education and training who strive for excellence in all they do. We are the largest membership body in the education sector and growing rapidly.

We help you progress your career, inspire you to be an even better teacher or trainer, and connect you with thousands of like-minded professionals and experts.

As part of the Education and Training Foundation (ETF), we campaign to raise the status of your profession, champion the quality of teaching and training across further education and provide you with access to the best teaching tools, research and expert views there are.

We unlock career potential through continuous development and recognise professionals through Qualified Teacher Learning and Skills (QTLS) status and Advanced Teacher Status (ATS). Our endeavours enable us to:

• build a highly skilled and professional teaching workforce
• develop a strong, resilient and responsive FE system
• and ultimately, improve the experience for learners.

Join today: Get the recognition you deserve as an education professional

Join SET and pay via Direct Debit to get a 10% discount on your membership fee. Other concessions available.

To become a SET member, complete our membership form online:
set.etfoundation.co.uk/joinnow
Or call our membership team:
0800 093 9111 (freephone)

While my membership of SET was connected to my acquiring QTLS I feel the organisation offers a great service to practitioners at all levels within education.

ANGELA MORRIS, LECTURER AND TUTOR IN HISTORY & SOCIAL POLICY AND SET MEMBER

Membership rates per year

Member £69.90

Other concessions available.
The benefits of SET membership

Your career
• Your passport to gain Qualified Teacher Learning and Skills (QTLS) status – the badge of professionalism which enables you to stand out from the crowd.
• Your pathway to Advanced Teacher Status (ATS), the highly sought badge of advanced professionalism and mastery in further education and training.
• Deepen your expertise and gain exclusive access to our online research library of essential CPD content (powered by EBSCO), or via our partner website www.excellencegateway.org.uk for effective practice, teaching materials and research.

Your profession
• You benefit from heavily subsidised CPD courses run by the ETF with additional discounts for SET members.
• Get access to the first-class e-learning platform www.foundationonline.org.uk with the latest in CPD courses and tools.
• Watch up-to-the-minute podcasts, blogs and articles from the best teaching and training experts there are.
• Read insight and expert advice from an archive of commissioned articles by Geoff Petty, one of Britain’s leading experts on teaching methods.
• Dedicated support and content for teachers and trainers in their early careers – from those aiming to become a teacher or trainer to those who have just recently qualified.
• Practitioner Research Programme – bursary-subsidised places available for MA Short courses and MPhil in education research programme, run by the University of Sunderland.

Your community
• Be part of the largest professional network of teachers and trainers in the FE sector.
• You are invited to a calendar of local network group events, to meet and exchange with like-minded professionals in your sector – including the annual SET members’ conference.
• Online communities and support through monthly member-only webinars, live webchats and Facebook community groups.
• Contribute to the SET community as a valued mentor on our mentoring service, or gain valuable support from the service as a mentee.

Your profession
• Be part of the Education and Training Foundation (ETF), promoting and championing the quality of the sector’s teachers, trainers and leaders.
• Each quarter you will receive our highly regarded printed magazine InTuition, the most widely-read journal for those working in post-16 education – packed with the best expert opinion, features and case studies in the sector.
• Track yourself against the ETF’s 2014 Professional Standards, the benchmark for effective practice in FE teaching and training.
• Use the SET designation and digital pin in your signature, CV and business card.
• Measure and demonstrate your professional development – use our online self-assessment and planner tool.
• Keep up with the latest sector news via InTuition Extra, your monthly e-newsletter.
Qualified Teacher Learning and Skills (QTLS) is the badge of professionalism for practitioners in the Further Education and Training sector. It is a nationally recognised status that you can gain by successfully completing a ‘professional formation’ process, enabling you to develop and demonstrate your skills and knowledge through your practice. Achieving QTLS signals to employers and colleagues your commitment to excellence, and brings additional impact to your teaching. Underpinned by the Professional Standards for Teachers and Trainers, QTLS will help you to critically reflect on the difference the process has had on your practice and learners. The Society for Education and Training (through its parent organisation, the Education and Training Foundation) is the only body that can confer QTLS status.

**Gain QTLS: Enhance your professional status**

**The benefits of QTLS**

- Enhances your career prospects.
- Offers recognition of your status as a professional teacher or trainer.
- Is valuable CPD that will enhance your knowledge and skills, and build your confidence.
- Is an opportunity to engage with relevant educational research and work collaboratively.
- Is recognised in law as equal to QTS for teaching in schools.
- Allows you to use the QTLS initials as a designation.
- Sets you on the pathway to Advanced Teacher Status (ATS).

**Over 20,000 professionals have achieved QTLS since its introduction in 2008.**

For teachers who have been awarded with Qualified Teacher Learning and Skills (QTLS) for at least a year, the next level of progression is to Advanced Teacher Status (ATS). ATS is the badge of advanced professionalism and mastery in further education and training. It is an advanced professional status that is conferred by the ETF through SET. ATS will offer a significant step up from QTLS to recognise advanced teachers and trainers with significant experience, who can demonstrate – at a high level – three key attributes:

- mastery in teaching and/or training
- an exemplary level of subject knowledge in their area of professional expertise
- effectiveness in working collaboratively to improve teaching standards amongst their peers or within their organisation.

The ETF has worked closely with the Chartered College of Teaching to ensure holders of ATS will automatically be conferred Chartered Teacher Status.
As a member of the Society for Education and Training, I have the overarching support of an organisation that provides advice, training and professional support, as I journey from QTLS, through to ATS and beyond.

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