

Enabling Academic Transitions through Professional Development (EAT-PD)

Professional Development Opportunities
for New and Early Career Staff



Are you relatively new to teaching, less than 3 years, and interested in exploring different teaching strategies to enhance your students' learning experience?

Who is this programme for?

MTU and early career staff who have been teaching for 3 years or less (or some equivalent) and are interested in:

- Developing their competencies in the classroom
- Integrating proven, high quality teaching strategies into their regular teaching practice
- Improving their teaching practice using collaboration, research-informed active learning techniques to enhance student engagement and self-reflection

How long will it take?

- EAT-PD runs for 15 weeks over a single semester on Thursdays from 13:00 – 14:00
- Successful applicants will have their **assigned teaching load reduced by 1 hour for 15 weeks** (once approved by Head of Department / Function).

What is in it for you?

- An opportunity to enhance your teaching and learning practice through structured learning activities and informal discussions with colleagues
- An opportunity to build your professional network by meeting and working with early career staff from across the university
- Opportunity to gain industry recognition via Advance HE's Associate Fellowship accreditation

EAT-PD Structure

Week No.	Indicative Outline
Week 1	Active Learning Literature
Week 2	
Week 3	Respect & Diversity
Week 4	Active Learning - Individual Strategies
Week 5	Active Learning - Group Strategies
Week 6	Module Enhancement Plans
Week 7	Active Learning - Team Based Learning
Week 8	
Week 9	
Week 10	Feedback
Week 11	Writing Workshop & Discussions to facilitate completion of Reflection
Week 12	
Week 13	
Week 14	
Week 15	Course Completed – submit reflection to Advance HE

Further Information:

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Testimonials:



ANA
HICKEY

The EAT-PD course taught me different evidence-based solutions and strengthened my confidence to try different active learning techniques in class.



BRIAN
CLIFFE

I feel I have made a few subtle but key adjustments in my own lecturing approach and how I design and deliver lectures / learning experiences.



CLIONA
MOYNIHAN

Learning from the TLU team about innovative teaching strategies, diversity and inclusivity has helped shape my teaching style and approach.



SAM
JERMYN

The EAT-PD programme was invaluable as it afforded me the opportunity to engage with my own domain specifically and consider how I currently teach.

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