

### **T LEVELS UPDATE AND Q&A MEETING WITH MINISTER BURGHART**

At 1pm on **Tuesday 2 November** we will be joined by the new Minister for Apprenticeships and Skills, Alex Burghart, for an hour-long webinar.

This is an opportunity to meet the new Minister and speak with him about T Levels.

DfE policy officials will be in attendance to give updates and answer questions on topics such as industry placements and progression from T Levels.

You will also hear an update about the Support with Delivering T Levels website and important information about the course directory.

If you would like to attend the meeting, please use [this form to sign up](#). If you are unable to join us, but would like to receive a recording, please indicate this on the form. There is also a chance to leave comments, so if there are any subjects you would like us to cover, let us know.

### **T LEVEL PULSE SURVEY**

We are approaching the deadline for the October Participation Pulse Survey return for all 2020 and 2021 T Level providers. The Pulse Survey will close at **midnight on the 5 November**.

[Please see our short guidance note before opening the survey](#), it includes the questions and definitions we ask you to use.

If you have any queries please contact your ESFA Lead or contact:  
[Pulse.Survey@education.gov.uk](mailto:Pulse.Survey@education.gov.uk)

### **T LEVEL SEND CASE STUDY: REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS**

We are keen that T Levels are made available to a wide range of students and that appropriate arrangements are put in place for any students that need additional support due to special educational needs or disabilities. We believe that having a learning difficulty and/or disability shouldn't be a barrier to taking a T Level, and we would like to develop some case studies to highlight the kinds of arrangements and adjustments that could be made such that T Levels are seen as inclusive courses.

If you have a student taking a T Level for whom you have had to make adjustments to teaching and learning to accommodate SEND requirements, we'd really like to hear from you. Please get in touch by emailing:  
[Routesreadiness.TE@education.gov.uk](mailto:Routesreadiness.TE@education.gov.uk)

### **T LEVEL TRANSITION PROGRAMME: NATIONAL LEARNING EVENT**

The Association of Colleges (AoC) will next month be hosting the first National Learning Event of this Academic Year **for T Level Transition Programme Round 3 Providers only** who are delivering the programme for the first time from the 2022-23 Academic Year.

The event will focus on strategic development and planning for delivery of your T Level Transition Programme, and will take place **on Thursday 4 November, from 10:00 - 16:00**.

AoC are currently in the process of sending out meeting invitations to all Round 3 providers. If you have not received this invitation, or have any questions about the event please contact AoC at:  
[transition.programme@aoc.co.uk](mailto:transition.programme@aoc.co.uk)

## **HIGHER EDUCATION PROVIDERS AND PROGRESSION FROM T LEVELS**

We recently ran a UK wide survey for Higher Education Providers to understand their approach to T Levels, the types of courses they will be accepting T Levels for and any further resources which we could provide to support decision-making on admissions. Following that survey, and the engagement activity with the sector, we will share an updated list of universities who are accepting T Levels with T Level providers in an upcoming newsletter.

## **T LEVEL TRANSITION PROGRAMME: A THANK YOU**

A big thank you - to you and your organisations for your involvement and valuable contributions in the review of content for the future national T Level Transition Programme. With your help, we have achieved a significant milestone in determining the final shape of the future programme and developing good introductory technical content.

The package of guidance and resources will be published in January 2022, for the updated programme to be ready to teach from September 2022. We know the importance of working in partnership to get the best product for our young people. Ultimately, the success of the T Level Transition Programme will not be possible without your support. Thank you.

## **UPDATES FROM THE AWARDING ORGANISATIONS**

**NCFE:** NCFE is pleased to confirm the optical care services occupational specialism will be available for delivery from September 2022. This occupational specialism forms part of the healthcare science T Level route.

**Highfield:** Highfield are looking for the expertise of training providers to support the development of the Professional Catering Technical Qualification. Forum members will contribute to the qualification and assessment development process to ensure our approach is practicable, in line with current teaching practice and meets the expected industry standards. If you would like to be involved and have catering teaching/assessment expertise, then please contact **Michael Slater** at Highfield on **07841776627**.

## **T LEVEL EMPLOYER INCENTIVE SCHEME**

Employers can receive a £1,000 incentive payment for offering a placement to Wave 1 and Wave 2 T Level students.

The allocation letter for November payments was issued on the **15 October**, with payments being made in November based on your enrolment figures in September 2021. Each new T Level student will attract £1,000 to be paid to employers as an incentive payment for offering an industry placement with a start date on or before the 31 July 2022. For full details, see [Gov.UK](https://www.gov.uk).

Can providers please make sure that you have recorded all employer claim details on the online tracking tool by the **29 October** for all employer payments to date. Access to the online tracking tool, step-by-step guidance and the webinar recorded in July, can be found [here](#). We will be collecting this data on a 6 weekly basis, the next date is the **10 December**.