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Edge Hill University Mentor Development Update April 2024



Strategic developments



- Ofsted Outstanding across all routes
- Accreditation – signed off and complete
- Readiness for Curriculum 2024 - revalidation
- Mentoring expectations – mentor strategy
- Partnerships – partnership reform and agreements



- **Revalidation** of ITE portfolio for 2024 criteria.
- **Workforce development** (new roles, enhancing leadership)
- Design and implementation of **enhanced mentor training and development strategy**.
- Governance and Quality Assurance (SDQC, QA systems)
- **Research informed** Teacher Education
- Intensive Training and Practice Pilots



DFE Mentor reforms

Mentor training requirements: 20 hours in 2024-25
6 hours in 2025-26



Weekly expectations: 1.5 hours per week per trainee



Training costs to schools in 2025 through DFE portal





Initial mentor assessment (new)

Core Mentor training online OMNIS(2023-25)

Phase and/or subject specific training and Mentor Space (online Teams)

QA checkpoints with Link Tutor (bespoke training online Teams and QA 3 visit)

Additional units offered OMNIS online (new)



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Initial mentor assessment

Prior Learning

Take into consideration any prior learning that mentors might have completed, including as an Early Career Framework (ECF) mentor, NPQ to avoid unnecessary repetition of training.

The aim of this is to avoid duplication and build on a mentor's prior learning, which as a result may reduce the total hours of training a mentor needs to complete.

North west provider collaboration and recognition

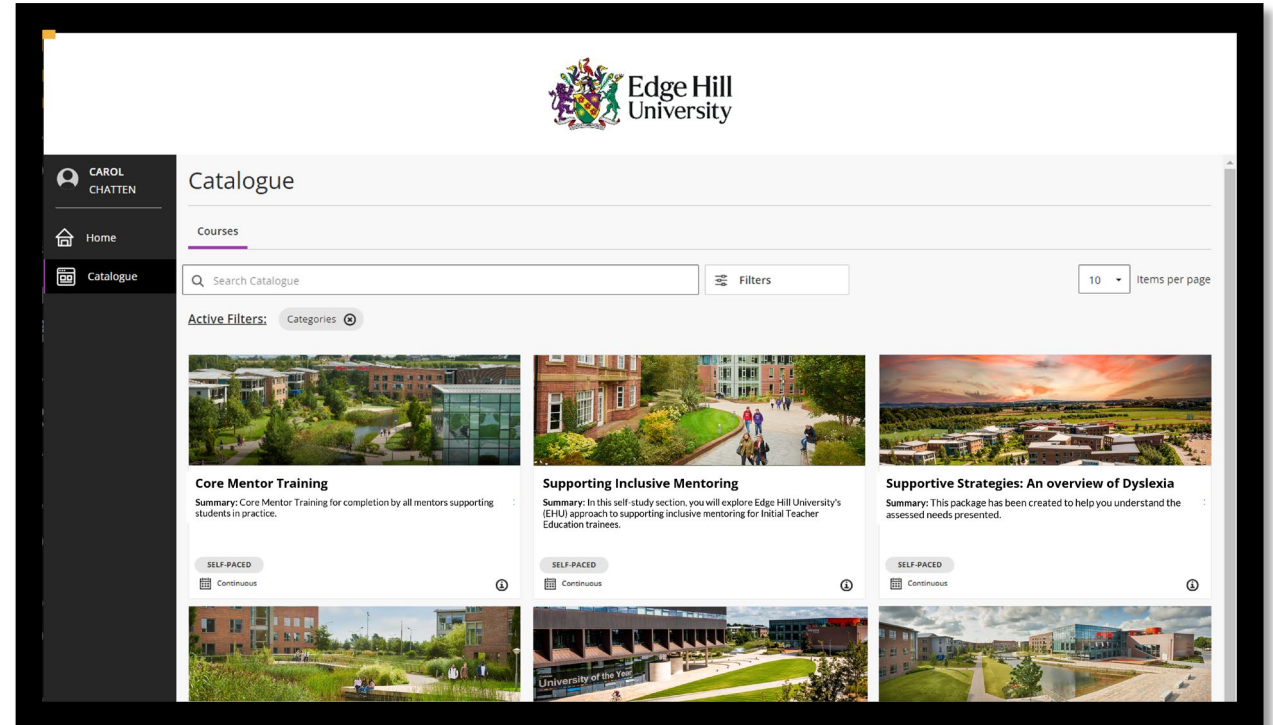
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Expertise Survey





Flexible mentor training

- Online mentor information briefings (time specific/recorded)
- QA visits (virtual and face to face)
- Online training units (flexible)
- Mentor Space ([Mentor Space - Mentor Space \(edgehill.ac.uk\)](#))





Key information

- mentors working in schools that offer initial teacher training (ITT) placements will need to complete **up to 20** hours of initial mentor training with an accredited training provider.
- Schools can claim for the actual hours of training undertaken by the mentor **to a maximum of 20 hours, per accredited provider**



Funding

Up to **£876** (£43.80 per hour) — for schools outside London (the rest of England)

Academic year 2024/25

2024/25 Schools who host ITT trainees

Payments will be made in arrears based on the number of hours of training. Schools will be able to claim this funding at the end of the 2024/25 academic year

The amount of funding schools will receive depends on:

- how many hours a mentor has spent training (which can be up to a maximum of 20 hours, per accredited ITT provider) and location.
- Payments will be made in arrears from September 2025.
- Placement schools will be able to submit a claim via a new GOV.UK service. The service will open in early 2025 and schools will be able to submit their claims once their trainees have completed their courses and been awarded qualified teacher status (QTS).

Schools should ensure that they retain evidence of expenditure claimed for as required for implementing the general mentor role, including backfill of the mentor whilst they were training. Evidence could include invoices, salary statements, timetables and registers, but we will not mandate what form this record should take, and trust school leaders to use their judgement



Details of the grant

This funding will help with the cost of mentors being away from the classroom while they train. This could include:

- paying for someone to take over lessons while a mentor is training
- paying for someone to teach if a mentor takes time off in lieu to train
- overtime payment to the mentor, if they are training outside normal working hours (teacher workload should be carefully considered in such cases)
- paying for any costs that come from reducing a mentor's other responsibilities so they have time to train



Conditions of the funding

For a school to claim this funding, the mentor must:

- be employed by the school making the claim
- undertake **up to 20** hours of initial mentor training, per accredited ITT provider
- mentor at least one trainee, or intended to mentor a trainee (as evidenced by schools arranging placements for ITT trainees at their schools)

Mentors can start their initial mentor training between 6 April 2024 and 31 May 2025 for courses starting in the 2024/25 academic year.



Payments (Edge Hill University)

Placement	Amount	Payment method
Core Placements	No change	EHU completes payment as per trainee attendance
Intensive Training and Practice (DfE funded)	£10 per student per day	EHU completes payment as per trainee attendance
Expert input (DfE funded)	£300 per day	EHU completes payment as per trainee attendance



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Thank you!

