



National Professional Qualification for Headship

Our university and delivery partners have drawn on their teacher education expertise to design programmes with the following characteristics for any school that wants to join us:

- Knowledge and evidence-based.
- Drawn from expert theory and current practice.
- Inquiry-based spiral learning.
- Learning embedded in practice, not an additional burden.
- Located near you.

Who are you? →

For school leaders who are, or are aspiring to be, a headteacher or head of school with responsibility for leading a school. Those in their first two years of headship without a NPQH are also encouraged to apply.

The benefits to your school →

We know that our children and young people need teachers who are committed to their education and are confident learners themselves. Our programmes have been developed with teachers and leaders to:

- Create professionally confident teachers and leaders.
- Grow the next generation of leaders with the skills and knowledge to use the evidence-base for the benefit of their children and young people.
- Retain the best teachers who are excellent, collaborative role models for their schools and communities.
- Inspire leaders who can harness the power of rich learning environments for their children and young people no matter the current circumstances.

Cost of programme →

Full scholarship funding, with no cost to the participant, for the NPQ for Headship is available for those who meet the following criteria:

- A school leader who is aspiring to be, a headteacher or head of school with responsibility for leading a school.
- Work in a state funded school and state funded organisations that offer 16-19 places in England.

OR

- Are a headteacher or head of school with responsibility for leading a school.
- Are in the first 2 academic years of headship without a NPQH.
- Work in a state funded school and state funded organisations that offer 16-19 places in England.

The cost is £1055 for those in independent schools. British International Schools, contact us directly for prices.

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Summary of programme and NPQH learning hours ↗

SESSION TYPE	EVERY TERM YEAR 1/2	TOTAL HOURS IN YEAR 1/2
AUDIT BEFORE START OF PROGRAMME		2
ONLINE INDUCTION CONFERENCE AT THE BEGINNING OF YEAR 1		4
FACE TO FACE EVENTS - TERMS 2,3 AND 4		15
SELF DIRECTED LEARNING LEARNING JOURNAL IMPLEMENTATION PROJECT	13 HOURS PER TERM (MINIMUM)	39
ONLINE LEARNING COMMUNITY: DISCUSSION SESSION	1 HOUR PER TERM (MINIMUM)	3
PEER LEARNING GROUP	2 HOURS PER TERM	8
LINE MANAGER SESSIONS	TERMLY 1 HOUR MEETING	4
TOTAL		75

A unique part of the UCL offer is the implementation project. Each participant will demonstrate how their learning is being implemented in practice through action research or a project that is supported by a facilitated peer learning group to ensure the programme has an impact on an individual's leadership and the pupils in their school. Once completed, the programme will be assessed through a case study-based approach to be completed in an 8 day window.

How to apply ↗

To apply, please visit the [DfE NPQ Registration Service](#) and choose UCL as your provider. You can find out more about the application process on our [website](#).

Quote

I cannot recommend the NPQs highly enough having completed ML and SL. Working with my local group and UCL, the support from both at all levels was tremendous. I am now a Deputy Headteacher and Head of School two days a week. I will be signing up for the NPQH.

Simon Page, Deputy Head at Stonegate School, East Sussex