

NPQH

The National Professional Qualification
for Headship



ESP are delighted to be working with Best Practice Network (BPN) and Outstanding Leaders Partnership (OLP) to offer DfE accredited distance-learning NPQH programmes to BSME member schools.

What is the NPQH?

NPQH provides recognition of leadership development and professional achievement for anyone aspiring to be a Headteacher.

Trainees have access to high-quality learning materials and accounts of practice from outstanding leaders. They will reflect on their own leadership through discussion with peers and put theory into practice while continuing to improve their own leadership skills in order to have a greater impact within their institution.

Who is NPQH suitable for?

The National Professional Qualification for Headship (NPQH) is for those who are, or are aspiring to become, a Headteacher or a Head of School with cross-school responsibilities such as a National Leader of Education (NLE).

How does it work?

The qualification has a flexible combination of blended learning and support opportunities that includes online learning, leadership learning groups, personal tutor, peer support, coaching and school placement. Candidates will complete three modules covering three learning areas:

- Strategy and Improvement;
- Teaching and Curriculum Excellence, and;
- Managing Resources and Risks.

How does it work?

each module focuses on improving the effectiveness of leadership practice and developing behaviours around commitment, collaboration, personal drive, resilience, awareness, integrity and respect.

Distance-learning candidates are supported by an experienced online facilitator for their online courses as well as the additional learning tasks. Distance learners have additional tasks to undertake which mirror those done by colleagues who attend the more traditional face-to-face programme. These occur after the online courses and within a given time frame.

The benefits of these are that candidates are able to access the recordings and information for each set of tasks to suit their own work pattern.

We run two intakes of NPQH each academic year with these cohorts commencing in the autumn and spring terms.

Programme costs and deadlines

NPQH costs £3100 but applications received before the 22 May 2020 will be eligible for a 10% early bird discount.

All applications for 2020/2021 must be received by 18 September 2020.

Email bsme@espeducation.co.uk for more information on NPQH or to register for the programme.