# Accredit. Customise. Endorse.

Accreditation and Employer Services

### ACCREDIT CUSTOMISE ENDORSE

#### your employees with NCFE's bespoke qualifications

We're NCFE: an educational charity and leader in vocational and technical learning. We have over 175 years of educational experience, and it is this expertise that will help to amplify the quality and rigour of your own in-house training to your employees. By tailoring your in-house training and CPD to meet the needs of your business, you will see a positive effect on staff engagement and productivity – plus, you'll retain ownership of your course content and delivery.

Our Accreditation and Employer Services will benefit organisations who want to give their bespoke training programmes and qualifications something extra, providing a clear indication of exceptional standards through official recognition from one of the UK's biggest awarding organisations.

Our Customised Qualifications and Endorsed Programmes are the perfect fit for your organisation if you're looking to:

- → develop and upskill your employees through CPD
- address skills gaps within your organisation with an accredited bespoke inhouse solution
- → align your learning programmes to your business goals
- → create and embed a culture of learning throughout your organisation.

By choosing our Customised Qualifications or Endorsed Programmes, you're ensuring a simple and efficient way of achieving these goals.

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NCFE has accredited a Level 5 Customised Qualification for the Digital Profession in DWP Digital. This collaboration has enabled DWP Digital to build and mature capability within a very specific digital discipline which has benefitted the wider government. The ongoing support provided by NCFE has allowed us to develop and deliver the qualification effectively and efficiently to the intended audience."

#### Jamal Ajlouni,

Accreditation Assessor & Quality Assurer – Department for Work and Pensions

## Why you'll love our accreditation services...

#### Bespoke to suit you

Many off-the-shelf training programmes are broad in nature and contain aspects of learning that aren't relevant to your employees. By developing your own training, you're able to tailor all aspects of the training to suit the context of your business and your employees.

#### Improve staff skills and retention

Accredited internal training can be utilised to improve specific soft or technical skills and provide you with a pool of talented staff, armed with the knowledge to go above and beyond in their roles. Plus, encouraging staff to advance their personal development can help improve staff retention.

#### A stamp of approval

Having your training accredited by a nationally recognised awarding organisation is a stamp of approval and quality which can enhance the value of your in-house training, giving you recognition for the quality and robustness of your training programmes.

#### **Specialist support**

Your organisation can benefit from the expertise of our subject specialists here at NCFE, who will help you to tailor your products to certain markets and sectors. You'll also benefit from one annual quality audit from our Accreditation and Employer Services team, covering all your Endorsed Programmes.

#### **Co-branded certification**

Certificates acknowledge and celebrate the new skills, knowledge and competence that employees have achieved through their training. For those using our Customised Qualification solution, your employees will receive a co-branded learner certificate from NCFE. For our Endorsed Programme route, you'll benefit from the use of our logo on any certificates that you decide to issue – reinforcing the gold-star quality of your training provision.

#### **Fast and efficient service**

We know how busy you are, so we aim to accredit your qualifications within 15 working days of your application as an approved centre. Plus, our friendly, responsive and informed staff are always on hand to provide you with support.

### Our solutions

#### We offer two solutions when it comes to supporting you to deliver bespoke in-house training:

#### **Customised Qualifications**

Customised Qualifications are the perfect solution for your organisation if you have training needs that regulated qualifications aren't meeting. Customised Qualifications are unregulated qualifications which are written and owned by you and benchmarked against the national qualifications framework and have learning outcomes and assessment criteria.

With **Customised Qualifications** we issue your certificates, which demonstrate the new skills, knowledge and competence your employees have achieved.

#### **Endorsed Programmes**

Endorsed Programmes will suit your organisation if you have informal CPD training activities with no formal assessment criteria that you'd like to be quality benchmarked.

With Endorsed Programmes, we give you the freedom to issue certificates of attendance and completion to your employees without having to request them from us. You're able to add our endorsed logo to your certificates to sit side by side with your own logo and branding, helping to reinforce the quality of your training.

Examples of activities that could fit within Endorsed Programmes include:

- Presentations
- → Workshops
- → Webinars
- Seminars
- → Online training.



## **Digital credentials**

With NCFE Endorsed Programmes, you can choose to transform how individuals are recognised for their skills and competencies by issuing secure, verifiable digital credentials. This option provides tangible evidence of learning via a secure digital badge and allows your learners to proudly share their achievements online.



Digital credentials are currently only available for those who use our Endorsed Programmes service, we will be rolling out for use with our Customised Qualifications in September 2024.

#### **Benefits of digital credentials**



Flexible and personalised to suit the content of your Endorsed Programmes, with branded digital badges



Secure and tamper-proof, with encrypted data stored on secure local servers



Verifiable in real-time, maintaining the integrity and credibility of the award



Portable and shareable, empowering individuals to publicly highlight their learning



Retain full control over the issuing and management of your digital credentials



Build brand awareness and demonstrate your commitment to learning and development

Our digital credentials service is backed by a partnership with Learning Vault, a leading global provider of digital credentials and digital education content.

## LEARNING VAULT

## Which is the best option for me?



## 5 simple steps to accreditation

#### **Becoming an NCFE centre**

If you don't currently work with NCFE and want to offer a Customised Qualification or Endorsed Programme, you'll need to apply for centre approval.

#### **Reviewing your content**

Once your centre has gained approval, we'll then start the review of your content – benchmarking it against our levelling system to ensure it is of the highest quality.

#### Adding your qualification or programmes to our systems

After we've approved your content, we'll then add your qualification or programmes to our systems – giving you a qualification or unique code.

#### Delivering your qualification or programme

Once accredited, you can begin delivering your qualification or programme with the knowledge it has been accredited or endorsed by NCFE.

#### Certification

If your employees have completed a Customised Qualification, you can then go ahead and claim for their certificates via our userfriendly Portal. You'll receive not only a hard copy, but a digital version too. For Endorsed Programmes, you can go ahead and issue your own certificates with our endorsed logo.



### Get in touch

Ready to learn more? Our Accreditation and Employer Services team would be happy to help you discover the best solution to meet your needs.

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