

QAA Membership 2023-24

Membership in England (small providers)

Securing confidence in meeting regulatory requirements, while focusing beyond the baseline

In a rapidly changing higher and tertiary education environment, QAA Membership delivers inspiring, expert activities and resources which enable you to demonstrate excellence in quality and standards to UK and international audiences.

Benefits for your whole institution

- **Horizon scanning**: equipping you with the latest intelligence on UK and global developments.
- **Influencing strategy and policy**: ensuring governments and other key bodies are informed by expert advice and experience.
- **Co-creating sector reference points**: giving you a strong voice, ensuring UK and international reference points reflect your needs and those of your students.
- **Being part of an effective membership community**: facilitating learning and shared insights across institutions and with other partners such as professional, statutory and regulatory bodies.
- **Driving innovation**: developing innovative approaches to evaluation and reporting on quality that improve effectiveness and address internal and external demands.
- **Empowering your staff**: supporting the professional development of your staff, equipping them to safeguard academic standards and enhance quality for your students.

Our membership community tailored to you

In 2023 we have
over 300
UK-based members

Our activities are tailored to different types of provider, and we have opportunities for staff and students in all roles. Our highly valued networks include colleges; independent and specialist providers; students; programme leaders; senior academic managers; and quality leads.

Providing support and solutions for...



Students' unions



Quality



Partnerships



Senior leadership



Academic departments and leadership



Data and information



International and global development

Membership offer for small providers

We offer our smallest providers the opportunity to choose Introductory Membership or the full QAA Membership package.

Introductory Membership provides access to resources but not the full range of events and training or wider opportunities such as leading a Collaborative Enhancement Project.

Included in both Membership packages:



Access to all resources published in the Membership Resources Site for all staff and students, including:

- guidance documents
- toolkits
- practical resources
- policy and strategy briefings
- event presentations.



Online network events enabling you to engage with the latest thinking through debate and facilitated discussion, such as:

- College HE Policy and Practice Network
- Conversations with Quality Leads.



Use of QAA Membership Badge.



Access to your Membership Engagement Manager.



Opportunities to join Advisory Groups such as for Subject Benchmark Statements.



Opportunities to join a Collaborative Enhancement Project as a partner. These funded projects are developed by groups of members who work collaboratively to enhance the quality of their students' learning experience and develop outputs that benefit the wider QAA Membership.



One free place at the QAA Annual Conference while this is delivered online (a fee will be chargeable if the annual conference returns to in-person delivery).



Opportunities to contribute to the development of new resources.



Access to expert advice through 1-1 quality clinics.

Full membership also includes access to:



Programme of events offering opportunities to learn, exchange ideas and share practice to enhance your delivery, including:

- topic-based webinars and workshops
- membership conferences: Quality Insights, Quality Matters and Membership Network
- in-person events.



Training and development - building capacity across your organisation, with topic-specific training and the popular Introduction to Quality and Quality in Practice programmes.



Opportunities to lead and receive funding for a Collaborative Enhancement Project.

Priority topics and activities for 2023-24

Our activities cover a wide range of topics including:



Future approaches for learning, teaching and assessment

Assessment design and delivery;
Competence-based education;
Differential outcomes and awarding gaps;
Student engagement



Evaluation and quality processes

Innovative quality processes;
Effective evaluation; Evidencing value;
Educational gain; Using data



Flexible pathways and student transitions

Modular and micro-credentials;
Student transitions; Creating a sense
of belonging



Employability, enterprise and entrepreneurship

Embedding skills; Supporting
enterprise and entrepreneurship;
Careers support; Apprenticeships



Quality and standards

Subject Benchmark Statements;
Degree classifications; Developing the UK
Quality Code; Working with professional,
statutory and regulatory bodies;
Delivering and awarding in partnerships



Academic integrity

Impact of artificial intelligence;
Postgraduate provision; Embedding
the Academic Integrity Charter;
Managing misconduct



Global engagement

Country resources; Developing
partnerships; Supporting and enhancing
the international student experience;
Ensuring UK HE has a strong voice in
Europe and around the globe



Collaborative enhancement projects

Over 40 projects on priority topics led by
you including: Diversity and inclusion;
Education for Sustainable Development;
Mental wellbeing; Future pedagogy;
Peer observation



Professional development and training

Formal and informal training programmes and development opportunities
including Introduction to Quality and Quality in Practice



QAA Membership gives the University access to valuable resources that help us manage and enhance the quality of education. Its events facilitate our interaction with other and diverse higher education providers to share problems, practice, challenges and solutions. QAA continues to stay true to its co-regulatory principle of designing supportive resources for and with the sector. This serves as a timely reminder of how the sector remains stronger by working together.

Professor Graham Virgo,
Senior Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Education,
University of Cambridge

Explore your membership

We love hearing your suggestions, feedback and questions. Each provider has a named Membership Engagement Manager and you can also get in touch by email.

- [Access the Membership Resources site](#)
- [Sign up for our Member Newsletter](#)
- [Register for events](#)
- [Find out about QAA Membership](#)

Renewing your membership for 2023-24

Renewing is simple. We will email you in early June with a link to your renewal form. Simply complete the form, submit and we will do the rest!

We are always available to help. Please contact your Membership Engagement Manager or email us.

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