



Subject Benchmark Statement Advisory Group Expression of Interest

Online Survey Questions

This document provides a copy of the survey questions to help you when preparing your response. Please use the [online survey](#) to submit your response.

Please note that the survey needs to be completed in one sitting. Once the survey has been submitted you will not be able to change your answers.

QAA leads the development of [Subject Benchmark Statements](#). These Statements are reviewed on a cyclical basis to ensure they are as useful as possible for discipline communities and can inform a range of purposes across the sector, including course design and providing support for securing academic standards.

We are inviting expressions of interest from academic communities to join the Subject Advisory Groups for the subjects outlined below:

- Disasters, Risks and Humanitarian Studies
- Health and Social Care
- Healthcare Sciences

The deadline for submission is midday on Friday 25 September 2026

1) About you:

Title	
Name	
Role	
Organisation	
Email address	
Any affiliations	

2) Please select your subject of choice (please choose one subject):

Disasters, Risks and Humanitarian Studies	
Health & Social Care	
Healthcare Science	

3) Applying as:

Academic	
PSRB	
Student/Graduate (please complete student form)	
Employer	
Trailblazer representative (trailblazer groups are responsible for developing apprenticeship standards)	
Subject Association/Network	

4) Desirable criteria – please tick if you have experience of engaging with specific agendas in or hold an understanding of the following areas of expertise:

Education for sustainable development	
Equality, diversity and inclusivity - with a focus both on inclusion in the context of curriculum content and student characteristics	
Accessibility and the requirements of disabled students	
Enterprise and/or entrepreneurship education	
Generative Artificial Intelligence	

5) Supporting statement:

Please provide a statement (400-600 words) to support your application to join an Advisory Group. Drawing on appropriate evidence, please explain how you gained the attributes and experience relevant to these roles.

It would be helpful if you organised your statement around the four domains of attributes and skills found in the person specification document:

- 1. Academic and pedagogical credibility within the subject community.**
- 2. Experience of projects, groups and/or committees.**
- 3. An understanding of wider issues affecting the sector and subject communities relating to social justice, employability and emerging technologies.**
- 4. Experience of report/policy document production, including editing and writing.**

Equality and Diversity Monitoring

We recognise the positive benefits of equity, diversity, and inclusion. Our aim is to be truly representative of all sections of society, and for all to feel respected, free to be themselves no matter what their identity or background, and able to give their best. We value the differences that a variety of backgrounds, experiences, perspectives, and skills brings and strongly encourage suitably qualified applicants to apply.

We aim to ensure that these commitments, reinforced by our values, are embedded into our day-to-day working practices with our employees, customers, and partners. This includes selection for employment, promotion, training, or other developmental opportunities.

Monitoring

The Equality Act 2010 Employment Statutory Code of Practice published by the Equality and Human Rights Commission recommends that all employers carry out equality monitoring. For this purpose, we would be grateful if you would complete the questions in this survey. All information will be treated as strictly confidential and will not be seen by colleagues directly involved in the recruitment process. The information provided will be used only to provide anonymous statistics for monitoring purposes.

Thank you for your assistance.

Data Protection - QAA treats personal data collected for reviewing equality, diversity and inclusion of opportunity in recruitment, selection and employment within our organisation in accordance with its data protection policy. Information about how your data is used and the basis for processing is provided in our [privacy notice](#).

Please indicate the category that includes your current age in years.

18-24	
25-34	
35-44	
45-54	
54-65	
65+	
Prefer not to say	

What is your gender?

Female	
Male	
Transgender	
Non-binary	
Prefer not to say	
Other	

If you select Other, please specify:

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What is your marital status?

Single	
Relationship	
Married/Civil Partnership	
Prefer not to say	
Other	

Disability

In the United Kingdom, the Equality Act 2010 generally defines a disabled person as someone who has a mental or physical impairment that has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on the person's ability to carry out normal day-to-day activities. Do you consider yourself to have a disability according to the definition in the Equality Act?

Yes	
No	

Are your day-to-day activities limited because of a health problem or disability that has lasted, or is expected to last, at least 12 months?

Yes	
No	

Race and ethnicity

What is your ethnicity?

White	
Mixed or Multiple	
Asian, Asian British, Asian English, Asian Scottish or Asian Welsh	
Black, Black British, Black English, Black Scottish or Black Welsh	
Prefer not to say	
Other	

If you select Other, please specify:

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Please select from the list below

British	
English	
Scottish	
Welsh	
Irish	
Prefer not to say	
Other	

If you select Other, please specify:

Faith and Religion

No religion or belief	
Buddhist	
Christian	
Hindu	
Jewish	
Muslim	
Sikh	
Any other religion	
Prefer not to say	

Sexual Orientation

What is your sexual orientation?

Bisexual	
Gay/lesbian	
Heterosexual/straight	
Any other sexuality	
Prefer not to say	

If you select Other, please specify:

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