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Cohort 5 Mentor

(2025/26 Starters including April 2025)
Training Dates and Programme
Guidance

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Introduction

This document is designed to provide you with important information about the requirements of your ECTE mentor training programme and the times, dates and sign up links of any training sessions you are required to attend.

Learning Platform for ECT Programme	Link
UCLeXtend	https://extend.ucl.ac.uk/login/ If you have any access issues please contact ecf@inspirelearningtsh.co.uk

In Year 1 your school Induction tutor should ensure you and your mentee have a dedicated time to meet each week.

As a mentor UCL will monitor your engagement on your UCLeXtend platform throughout the one-year training programme. The ECTE is founded on the ITTECF. It therefore consolidates ECT's learning from ITT, allowing you and your mentee to tailor a programme that suits their own developmental needs.

UCL's ECT mentor programme is 18 hours, comprising of facilitated training sessions, independent learning sessions and your mentor meeting preparation. UCL recognises that mentors are busy professionals therefore they have tried to get the balance right between independent learning and face to face training. Over 50% of the mentor training programme comprises of flexible self paced online learning. Inspire Learning TSH also offers further networking and collaborative events over the course of the year so you can capitalise on the relationships you build with other mentors in your region as well as benefitting from expert facilitation led by Inspire Learning TSH.

UCL's curriculum centres on the cultivation of professional identity. This includes the cultivation of ECTs' identity as autonomous professionals, but also the cultivation of your identity as teacher educators and leaders.

As a teacher educator, we hope the mentor training programme will deepen your

understanding of how early career teachers learn and grow. Many of the skills you learn on the programme, such as building relational trust, providing developmental feedback and managing potentially difficult conversations are foundational leadership skills. The curriculum also centres on criticality to support both you and your ECT to be critical consumers and producers of research.

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The ECTP takes into account that not all ECT's start in the same place. There are different routes into teaching and experiences of ITT. Your ECT might be working part-time or full time. With this programme ECT's will consolidate their previous learning without spending time repeating what they are already very secure with.

Each module starts with a **Module Formative Assessment (MFA)**. Firstly, ECTs have a multiple choice quiz on their knowledge of the framework. This takes around 10 minutes to complete on their UCLeXtend platform. After the quiz, your first meeting with your ECT at the start of each half term in year 1 will be your **formative assessment meeting (FAM)** where you will discuss with your ECT how strong their practice is in the areas covered in the module. You might ask your ECT to bring some evidence to that meeting, for example, some planning and marking they have done to highlight their experience. During that meeting you will decide with your mentee whether they are emerging, embedding or excelling in relation to the topics in the module and you will set the ECT a learning goal that you can review with your mentee at the end of the module.

You and your ECT's progress on the Early Career Teacher Programme (ECTP) is not assessed, however, your engagement is monitored by UCL and the DfE, therefore it is vital that you **'mark as done'** when you complete any activities on your platform. This includes when mentor meetings have taken place (ECT's should do this on their platform too). When you see **'To Do'** this highlights a compulsory element for the course that you must complete such as the **module evaluation forms** at the end of each module. You must also ensure you attend your **facilitated training sessions**. You have one training session in term 1 and another in term2 (details below).

Mentor Training

Depending on the year your ECT is in will determine the order of your training this year. Local Learning Community (LLC) 1 covers all of the year 1 modules, while Local Learning Community (LLC) 2 covers the year 2 modules. We always provide a Liverpool and Wirral date option for each training session.

Please sign up to one of the training routes below. You should sign up to two sessions in total.

Training Route 1	Training Route 2
<p>Mentor Registered with a Year 1 ECT</p>	<p><u>Mentor Registered with a Year 2 ECT</u></p>
<p><u>C5 September Starters Mentor Training Route 1: Session 1 - 29.09.25 & 21.10.25, Session 2 - 12.02.26 & 26.02.26 Sign up</u></p>	<p><u>C5 September Starters Mentor Training Route 2: Session 1 - 02.10.25 & 23.10.25, Session 2 - 10.02.26 & 24.02.26 Sign up</u></p>
<p>Induction Conference and Local Learning Community 1 (LLC1)</p> <p>The Florrie, 377 Mill St, Liverpool L8 4RF 29.9.25 2-4.30pm or Holiday Inn, Centre Island Waterways, Lower Mersey St, Ellesmere Port CH65 2AL 21.10.25 2-4.30pm</p>	<p>Induction Conference and Local Learning Community 2 (LLC 2)</p> <p>Everton Nursery School and Family Centre, Spencer St, Liverpool L6 2WF 02.10.25 2-4.30pm or St John Plessington Catholic College, Teaching School Hub Building, Old Chester Rd, Bebington, Wirral CH63 7LF (Conference Room 1) 23.10.25 2-4.30pm</p>
<p>Local Learning Community 2 + self directed study</p> <p>The Florrie, 377 Mill St, Liverpool L8 4RF 12.2.26 2-4pm or Holiday Inn, Centre Island Waterways, Lower Mersey St, Ellesmere Port CH65 2AL 26.2.26 2-4pm</p>	<p>Local Learning Community 1 (LLC 1) + self directed study</p> <p>Everton Nursery School and Family Centre, Spencer St, Liverpool L6 2WF 10.2.26 2-4pm or St John Plessington Catholic College, Teaching School Hub Building, Old Chester Rd, Bebington, Wirral CH63 7LF (Conference Room 1) 24.2.26 2-4pm</p>

Please ensure you have completed the **Fundamentals of Mentoring workbook** prior to attending your conference and first LLC. You will find this on your UCLeXtend platform in the induction section. This two-hour, self-paced induction unit which is compulsory unless you have completed ITT mentor training since 2024.