

The Enhance Digital Teaching Platform

Video transcript: introducing the Enhance Digital Teaching Platform

The Enhance Digital Teaching Platform from the Education and Training Foundation (ETF) hosts two fully-subsidised training offers to support teachers and trainers in using educational technology (EdTech) and developing their digital skills:

- The ETF's EdTech offer to help teachers and trainers develop and redefine their practice using technology. This is underpinned by the Digital Teaching Professional Framework, ETF's national competency framework for helping practitioners to define and assess their progress using EdTech to support effective learning.
- The ETF's Essential Digital Skills (EDS) offer to help all those staff who will deliver new digital skills qualifications related to the upcoming legal digital entitlement.

Each offer has its own look and feel and its own menu on the platform's navigation bar.

As you can see, the platform has a friendly and clear feel with a simple navigation menu

- A search function
- My Learning
- Categories
- EDS for the Essential Digital Skills offer
- EdTech for the EdTEch offer
- A toggle button
- Login
- Signup

The toggle button allows you to switch on a dark theme. This will facilitate streaming when connection and bandwidth are poorer.

At any time you can return to the home page by clicking the ETF logo.

When you scroll down, you will see rows of training modules in sliding menus:

- A slider of EdTech modules first, with illustrated graphics and horizontal colour-coded bars to indicate the three DTPF competency stages, Exploring, Adopting, Leading
- Then a slider of Essential Digital Skills modules, with photo-based graphics and vertical colour-coded bars to indicate the five key skills areas of the EDS national standards

At the bottom of the page you can find our privacy and cookies policy, as well as our terms and conditions. On the right hand side you will see three important options:

- A frequently asked questions (FAQ) section covering both EdTech and Essential Digital Skills questions
- A feedback option
- A support button with details of how to contact us for help

The Enhance Digital Teaching Platform is adaptive and responsive, which means that the layout will flow and adapt to whatever screen you are using.

Now let's explore – more closely – the navigation menu at the top.

Firstly, **My Learning**. This shows the modules that you have started and completed – both EdTech and Essential Digital Skills. It also shows the digital badges you have earned for the EdTech programme and your progression opportunities for 2 and 3 Star EdTech badges, as well as the digital badges you have earned for the Essential Digital Skills programme.

Then **Categories**, which has two sections, firstly, for EdTech modules supporting the Digital Teaching Professional Framework and, secondly, for modules supporting the Essential Digital Skills CPD programme.

In each section, modules are clustered together into categories and this sub menu shows the category headings that modules are grouped under.

Lastly, there is **Login** and finally **Signup**.

You will need to signup on the platform to access the Essential Digital Skills offer and to track your learning and badges for the EdTech offer.

You will be asked to enter your name and email to create an account.

You will then be asked to complete a personal profile including your job role, the sector you work in and the name of your organisation. You can also choose to add a photo and pen portrait.

You can enable your profile to be public. This means that when you rate a training module or make a comment in the community forum, it will show your public profile which helps to build trust and encourage sharing.

You can also enable forum reply notifications. This means when you post a comment or question in the online community of practice, you will see when someone responds.

Lastly, you can opt in to receive communications. This means that the ETF can contact you about relevant developments.

When you have completed your profile, you need to save it.

You will also see a tab 'Share Requests'. If you belong to a learning provider that is using the EdTech Management Dashboard and wish to share your progress with others in your organisation, you can enable this here.

When you are logged in, you will see your initials or your profile picture on the top right. You can amend your profile and also logout of the system from here.

It's as easy as that! We look forward to welcoming you to ETF's Enhance Digital Teaching Platform.