

SSAT Leadership Legacy Project

Programme outline: September 2019 – July 2020

Criteria to graduate:

- » Attendance at launch event in October 2019
- » Attendance at SSAT National Conference in December 2019
- » Attendance at two Leadership Expert face-to-face meetings
- » Engagement with the dedicated Discourse platform including downloading directed resources, reading materials and policy updates
- » Engagement on social media including Facebook and Twitter
- » Submission of think piece

Leadership Fellows would need to be out of school a total of four times across the programme to enable them to graduate.

CORE ACTIVITIES

All participants need to attend.

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

These activities offer participants the opportunity to take advantage of further professional development. It is not expected that all of these activities are attended, but they could be used as an alternative for some core activities. This will be approved on a case by case basis.

Launch Event

1 October 2019

London

3 October 2019

Manchester

Leadership Fellows will be invited to attend the relevant launch event based on the regional Leadership Expert group to which they have been assigned. The day will be a formal welcome to the project which will allow fellows to hear insights from high profile speakers about their leadership journeys, the principles that underpinned them, their inspirational moments, and insights into some of the challenges they faced and how they overcame them.

There will be information provided about how the project will work across the year, the activities on offer, and the various roles that people will take to support the project. This will include the Leadership Experts, who will also be on hand to start work with their groups at this event.

Leadership Expert meeting

November 2019 and April/May 2020

Regional twilight meetings hosted in schools from 4-6pm

Regional meetings with an allocated Leadership Expert. At the start, fellows will be allocated to a regional group that will be no larger than 15; and will meet their expert at the launch events.

Leadership Experts are headteachers, executive principals or chief executives of MATs. Their schools will be members of SSAT and many will have worked with us supporting our CPD and training opportunities.

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Meetings will include reflections on what has been learnt so far; personal insights from the Leadership Expert and support for the ongoing core activities.

SSAT National Conference; Fighting for Deep Social Justice

5 December 2019

ICC, Birmingham

Throughout 2019, we are working with schools, other educational organisations, and cross-sector to make the case for deep social justice: a commitment to ensuring that all students leave school fully prepared to lead fulfilled and purposeful lives. This is a grand ambition and one that can be achieved only through strong, principled leadership, working in partnership, and continual review of practice and policy.

At the conference, we will look at what is already happening in schools across the country, but also what more we can do together, going into the 2020s.

Submission of think piece project work

Submitted by June 2019

Online

Fellows will be required to produce a written piece of work of no more than four typed sides of A4. There will also be a submission form to complete.

There are four areas of focus to select from:

- » Leading teaching and learning
- » Leading curriculum and assessment design
- » Leading collaboration
- » Leading systems and organisation

Online communications

Ongoing throughout the programme

Fellows will be expected to engage with online communication platforms throughout the course of the project including social media, accessing a resource library, downloading policy updates and engaging in group interactions on the dedicated Leadership Legacy Project Discourse forum.

OPTIONAL ACTIVITIES

Throughout the year participants will be given the opportunity to take advantage of further professional development activities. It is not expected that all of these activities are attended, but they could be used as an alternative for some core activities where needed, this will be approved on a case by case basis.

Previous optional activities have included:

- » Shadowing opportunities – giving fellows the opportunity to spend the day with a leadership team in another school
- » SSAT Discussion dinners
- » Seminars and events themed around Teaching & Learning, Leadership, Curriculum, Ofsted.
- » Special Schools Summit
- » Primary Network Conference

Further information will be made available following the launch events.

Graduation ceremony

The project will conclude with a graduation event. This event is optional to attend but will provide a chance to come together to celebrate your graduation and be presented with your certificate. Further details will be released in the summer term.

This list of activities may be subject to change and other opportunities may be released as they become available.