

The JISC Techdis Support Programme for Accessible IT Practice

JISC Techdis is offering organisations the 'Accessible IT Practice Support Programme', which can also lead to City & Guilds ITQ accreditation. The programme provides the right kind of opportunity for anyone looking to improve their ability to meet the needs of all learners and other users. Participants will be able to achieve this by developing skills in using technology in a flexible way as part of their continuing professional and personal development.

Working with City and Guilds, JISC Techdis has brought together its highly respected range of existing and new resources and mapped them to the ITQ framework, offering a choice of units which recognise that many people use IT in a wide and varied way. The programme provides participants with the chance to show how skills, expertise and understanding can be recognised, whatever their role - manager, assessor, teacher, trainer or support worker.

“The JISC Techdis Accessible IT Practice Support Programme is all about focusing on using IT for effective and inclusive communication in teaching, learning and related support services.”

The programme also provides an ideal platform for raising awareness of inclusion issues at the same time as developing the skills to create more inclusive teaching and learning environments. The resources can be used flexibly in many ways, including:

- to support 'just-in-time' staff development;
- as part of an internal training programme;
- as part of an accredited qualification.

Full details of the core and optional units can be found at:

www.jisctechdis.ac.uk/ITQ

The logo for iTo Accessible IT Practice, featuring the text 'iTo' in blue, followed by a stylized graphic of a computer mouse and a coiled cable, and the text 'Accessible IT Practice' in blue below it.

What is included?

- Practical and relevant advice covering commonly used applications such as Word and PowerPoint, as well as alternative formats, text-to-speech software and supporting activities;
- Adaptable to organisational needs and mapped to Levels 2 and 3;
- Access to your own organisational Xerte Toolkit for creating interactive online learning materials;
- ITQ specific advice and guidance, including evidence suggestions and record sheets;
- Up to 90 minutes online JISC Techdis Accredited Trainer support built-in;
- Sample interactive learning resources and a wide range of training resources designed to 'fill the gaps' in both IT knowledge and accessibility/inclusion awareness;
- A 'value for money' annual licence which entitles ALL staff to use the resources.

How much does it cost?

Fees are currently exempt from VAT and vary according to the size of the organisation and include a support pack and an annually renewable licence.

2011 Pre-VAT Prices

Less than 100 FTE staff - £225

100 - 249 FTE staff - £325

250 - 500 FTE staff - £425

More than 500 FTE staff - please contact:

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