

NOTICE TO CENTRES

FAO: Coordinator for the Careers Guidance qualifications

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Subject: Careers Guidance

CAREERS GUIDANCE QUALIFICATIONS UPDATE

Development of units around careers education for the OCR Level 6 Diploma in Career Guidance and Development

We are pleased to let you know that, subject to Ofqual approval, OCR plans to add optional new units to the Level 6 Diploma in Career Guidance and Development. The new content will cover various aspects of leadership and management in careers education and is intended to make the qualification more appealing to a wider group of career professionals, in particular those who lead and manage careers work in schools. No other changes will be made to the qualification structure, assessment and quality assurance processes. We will keep centres updated on progress regarding the new units, and also recommend that you refer to the website for further information on this development.

New resources to support the delivery and assessment of OCR's Careers Guidance qualifications

OCR has endorsed the following resources by way of support for the delivery of specific units of the OCR Level 4 Diploma in Career Information and Advice and OCR Level 6 Diploma in Career Guidance and Development, also for the development of learners' knowledge, understanding and skills:

- An online learning module produced by the University of Warwick on LMI which is available at: <http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/ier/ngrf/lmimodule/>
- The Learning and Skills Improvement Service (LSIS) online learning resource, Career Learning for All. The LSIS Career Learning for All can be accessed at <http://www.lsis.org.uk/news/career-learning-all-now-screen-near-you>

OCR has produced mapping documents demonstrating how these resources correlate to the assessment criteria of specific units. These are available on OCR's website at:

Level 4: <http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/vocational-qualifications-qcf-career-information-and-advice-level-4-diploma-04512/>

Level 6: <http://www.ocr.org.uk/qualifications/vocational-qualifications-qcf-career-guidance-and-development-level-6-diploma-10215/>

Please note: the OCR-endorsed resources have not been produced specifically for these qualifications. While accessing them will give learners evidence they can use towards the qualifications concerned, it is likely that this will need to be supplemented in order to meet the precise assessment criteria of the unit.

If you have any queries about this notice, please call our Customer Contact Centre on 01223 553998.