

## The Learning Coach Accreditation process - for existing recognised Learning Coaches

Acorn is partnering with UHOVI (Universities Heads of the Valleys Institute) to provide the Level 4 Certificate in Learning Coaching combined with HE Credit.

A strategic partnership between the award-winning University of Glamorgan and University of Wales, Newport, UHOVI is a groundbreaking higher education initiative providing new opportunities for local people and businesses.

This course will be provided in bite-sized, 20 credit, modules to enable individuals to gain formal accreditation and recognition for their previous training and experience in the role of a Learning Coach. The individuals must be working in the following sectors;

- teaching
- youth workers
- careers guidance
- classroom support
- private training providers

They will also achieve University Credits towards a Foundation Degree through the Level 4 Certificate in Learning Coaching, awarded by Agored Cymru, which is a nationally recognised qualification.





The Level 4 Certificate in Learning Coaching supports practitioners, providing learning and coaching functions, in a manner that supports learners aged 14 - 19 to:

- participate in education and training
- take advantage of opportunities for employment
- participate effectively and responsibly in their communities

The Welsh Government's ambitions for the Learning Coach role are:

*'Learning coaching is the support that learners can expect with the learning related aspects of their chosen pathway, and focuses on maximising the young person's ability to learn and to help their motivation to remain in learning, and to achieve qualifications in either or both academic and vocational areas.'*

#### **the course aims to:**

- provide formal accredited recognition for existing Learning Coaches
- update Learning Coaches on policies and practices in learning
- enable practitioners to support learners aged 14-19 to learn effectively and make learning choices from the local curriculum
- support practitioners in their professional development, sharing experience and good practice
- provide equality and standardisation of practice of the learning coaching functions across Wales

#### **entry requirements:**

##### **delegates must:**

- be a recognised Learning Coach, currently performing the role
- be a minimum of 18 years of age
- be living or working in the following UHOVI counties:
  - Rhondda Cynon Taf
  - Merthyr Tydfil
  - Caerphilly
  - Blaenau Gwent
  - Torfaen
- need to have attended the learning coach training from the Welsh Government
- be performing the Learning Coach role

##### **benefits to individuals:**

- formal RPL for existing non-accredited Learning Coaches
- flexible approach to learning
- an opportunity to study locally or within a workplace if already employed
- friendly and supportive – studying with like minded people
- Higher Education – credits gained will count towards a Foundation Degree

##### **benefits to employers:**

- work-based learning programme offers short accredited courses and professional qualifications
- flexible delivery around your business needs
- part-funding is available

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