# **Practical Masterclass - Learning Aims**

Lewisham College is delivering a Practical Masterclass on the subject of learning aims, the eight digit codes that determine funding and your contribution to LSC targets.

What is a Practical Masterclass? An interactive training day combining presentations and the use of a computer to practice the skills learnt in an assisted environment. The topic and session is technical in nature, with a maximum of 12 participants.

Why Lewisham College? As an FEFC and LSC Beacon College with 'Trust in FE' status we are committed to sharing best practice. You will benefit from tips, advice and expertise from a college that, like you, uses learning aims for both planning and funding purposes.

#### Who should attend?

This workshop is for all staff with an interest in FE planning and funding.

Without the ability to find and use learning aims it is not possible to calculate funding nor determine whether courses contribute to national targets.

#### When and where available?

Tuesday 11th July 2006 10.00 - 16.00

Professional Development Centre Lewisham College Lewisham Way London SE4 1UT

## At the end of the masterclass you will be able to:

- Quickly find the correct learning aim on the LSC's Learning Aim Database (LAD)
- Know when to use the DfES Section 97 database and QCA's OpenQUALS database
- Undertake a cross-college learning aim audit, including the use of tools to assist
- Know when and how to use the appropriate generic learning aim, as per ILR Annex H
- Assess the financial impact of changes to learning aims (year-to-year and in-year)
- Understand how your learning aims determine your contribution to targets (eg PSA)
- Determine your mix and balance in the LSC's Regional Skills Priority and Provision Matrix
- Understand how changing a learning aim can significantly impact on funding levels
- The future of the learning aim, SLNs and the proposed new funding formula

#### How much does it cost?

£195 per participant with discounts available for two or more bookings.

This includes use of a dedicated PC, materials, morning and afternoon refreshments and a buffet lunch.

Maximum capacity is 12 participants.

## How do I book a place?

Call or email Jane Nichols 020 8320 2936 jane.nichols@lewisham.ac.uk

This practical workshop is delivered by Nick Linford, Head of Planning & Funding.



# **Training Location**

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On the day: The training begins at 10am (ends 4pm) with refreshments available from 9.30am. Enter

the Lewisham Way campus (Tressillian Building) and ask for the Learning Aim training in the PDC. You will be shown through the building, across a quad and into Breakspears Building. Once in the Breakspears Building turn left and the PDC is first on your right.

## **Professional Development Centre**

The College's PDC was built in 2003 and is a state-of-the-art training facility.

Practical workshops in the PDC combine presentations with online exercises. Each participant will be allocated their own PC from which to complete the exercises.





### **Directions**

**DLR**: Lewisham and Elverson Road

Rail: St Johns and Lewisham

**Bus**: from Lewisham Rail/DLR Station: 21, 321, 136 and 436

Foot: From St Johns - exit the station and turn left, follow the road past the church and the college is directly opposite

From Lewisham Rail/DLR - exit the station and turn right onto Loampit Hill. Continue up this hill for approximately 10-15mins. You will pass a number of small shops on both sides of the road until you reach a church on your right. The college is located a little further ahead on the left

