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A revised Professional Standards Framework for Teaching and Supporting Learning in HE (PSF 2023)

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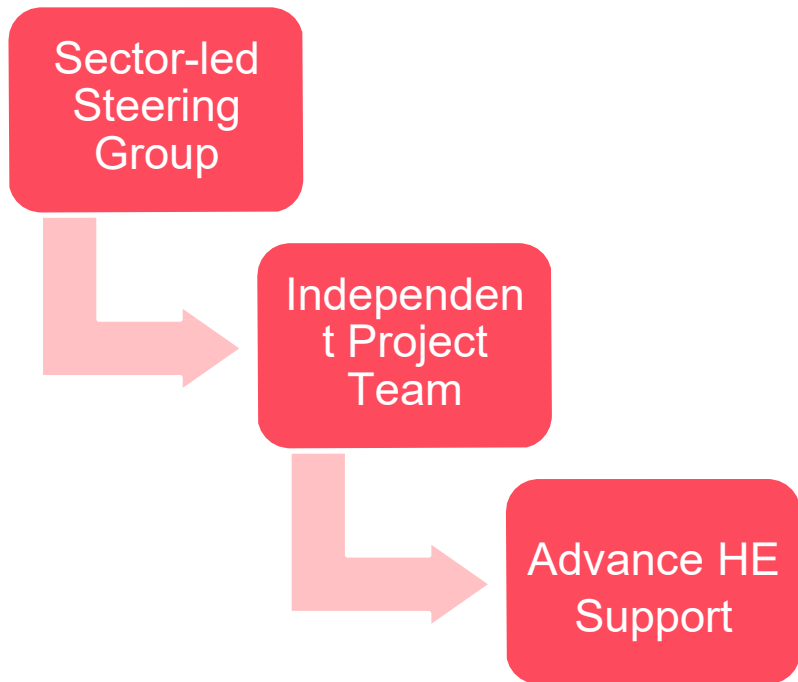
Session outline

1. Process of the review and launch of PSF 2023
2. Key changes
3. Revised Descriptors and Dimensions
4. Supporting the transition to PSF 2023
5. Direct applications to Advance HE
6. Further support for Fellowship

Context

- Over 173,000 individuals professionally recognised through Fellowship in over 100 countries (of which over 3500 awarded based in FE College/FE member settings)
- 15,000 Fellows outside of UK
- Used in increasingly diverse contexts
- UKPSF last updated in 2011

Approach to review



- Sector-led
- Evidence-based
- Ensure PSF retains currency and relevance to practice in an ever-evolving environment

Phases of review

1. Review the existing evidence base and explore concepts (28 online sessions, 300 key stakeholders) to create revised draft.
2. Undertook an open-access, online survey to test proposed revisions (over 500 respondents from 23 countries) to create final draft.
3. Sense-check final draft with key stakeholder groups to confirm the PSF 2023.

Review timeline (2021-2023)



Professional Standards Framework Review 2021-2023

Professional Standards
Framework for teaching
and supporting learning in
higher education: report of
the review 2021-2023

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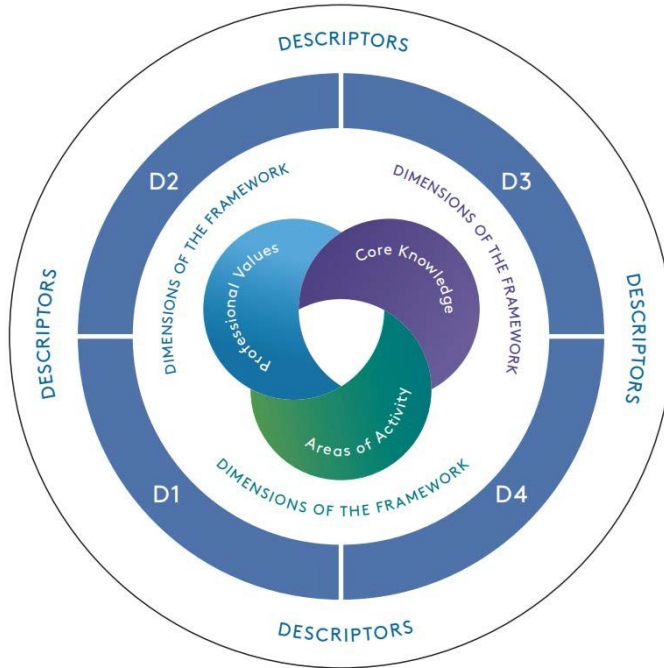
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- Executive summary
- Key features of PSF 2023
- Review phases
- Appendix 1 and 2 – explains specific changes to all Descriptors and Dimensions of the framework

<https://www.advance-he.ac.uk/professional-standards-framework-review>

Key changes (1)



Effectiveness

- Greater prominence for outcomes / evidence

Inclusion

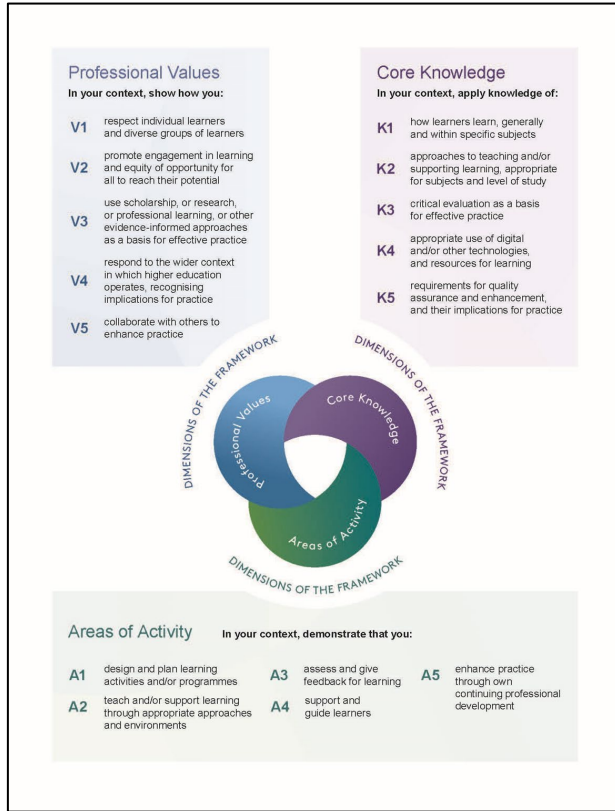
- PSF itself and the practice situated within it

New stem statements for each Descriptor

Key changes (2)

- **Context**
 - deeper appreciation and recognition of the situatedness of practice
- **Student support**
 - Greater focus, single focused dimension (A4)
- **Collaboration**
 - Previously addressed, now a focused dimension (V5)
- **Clearer relationship between Dimensions and Descriptors**
- **Reduction of repetition**
- **Leadership**
 - **Senior Fellow** (Descriptor 3)
leading or influencing others
 - **Principal Fellow** (Descriptor 4)
strategic sustained impact

Dimensions of the Framework (page 5, PSF 2023)



- **Professional Values (V1-V5)** - underpin all forms of Core Knowledge and Areas of Activity. They are the foundation of professional practice.
- **Core Knowledge (K1-K5)** - informed by the Professional Values, representing key forms of knowledge required to undertake the Areas of Activity. There are multiple and diverse forms of knowledge which are connected to and shaped by communities and contexts.
- **Areas of Activity (A1-A5)** - bring together the Professional Values and forms of Core Knowledge, showing the essential activities that support delivery of effective practice.

Revised categories of Fellowship

Associate Fellowship (Descriptor 1)

D1 is suitable for individuals whose practice enables them to evidence some Dimensions. Effectiveness of practice in teaching and/or support of learning is demonstrated through evidence of:



Fellowship (Descriptor 2)

D2 is suitable for individuals whose practice with learners has breadth and depth, enabling them to evidence all Dimensions. Effectiveness of practice is teaching and/or support of high quality learning is demonstrated through evidence of:



Senior Fellowship (Descriptor 3)

D3 is suitable for individuals whose comprehensive understanding and effective practice provides a basis from which they lead or influence those who teach and/or support high-quality learning. Individuals are able to evidence:



Principal Fellowship (Descriptor 4)

D4 is suitable for highly experienced individuals whose practice involves a sustained record of effectiveness in strategic leadership of high-quality learning. Their impact is extensive. Individuals are able to evidence:



Direct applications to Advance HE

- Direct applications will be accepted based on PSF 2011 until end of December 2023 (any associated resubmissions continue into 2024).
- New applicant and reviewer guidance for PSF 2023 - published in March 2023 and applications opened in April 2023.
- Applicants choose 'UKPSF 2011' or 'PSF 2023' framework in My Advance HE when applying.

Supporting the transition to PSF 2023

Support for Fellowship

- Fellowship Category Tool (PSF 2023)
 - Fellowship Application Builder (Fellow/D2)
 - Team/group bespoke packages to support individual colleges
 - Direct conversations with Fellowship team at Advance HE
 - Senior Fellow Writing Retreats (D3)
 - Principal Fellow – Record of Strategic Educational Impact (RSEI) session
- open to consider alternative approaches of support to meet your needs

Key links

- Advance HE Accreditation
<https://advance-he.ac.uk/membership/teaching-and-learning-accreditation>
- Professional Standards Framework Review
<https://www.advance-he.ac.uk/professional-standards-framework-review>
- Fellowship
<https://advance-he.ac.uk/fellowship>
- The Professional Standards Framework for teaching and supporting learning in higher education (2023)
<https://advance-he.ac.uk/teaching-and-learning/psf>
- Advance HE Reports, Resources and Publications:
<https://www.advance-he.ac.uk/reports-publications-and-resourcesowledge Hub>
- Fellowship Application Builder
https://www.advance-he.ac.uk/programmes-events/events/Fellowship-application-support?_ga=2.101586502.639809840.1688716580-984464210.1638205624#FAB
- Fellowship Category Tool
<https://www.advance-he.ac.uk/form/fellowship-decision-tool-2023>

Questions?

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