

# WEA Course information sheet 2020-21



**Adult Learning  
Within Reach**

<b>Course title:</b> Employability		<b>Course ID:</b> C3127846
<b>Start date:</b> 08/01/2021	<b>End date:</b> 07/05/2021	<b>Day(s)/time(s):</b> Fri 09:30
<b>Number of sessions:</b> 28	<b>Hours per session:</b> 1.5	<b>Tutor</b> Tina Eade
<b>Additional hours:</b>	<b>Online Learning Hours:</b> 0	
<b>Specific funder/partner requirements:</b>		
<b>Awarding body (if any):</b> <b>Title of qualification to be gained:</b>		<b>Level:</b>
<b>Fee:</b> £134.40 or <b>Free</b> if you are in receipt of an income related benefit (only SFA funded) <b>Accreditation Fee</b> (if applicable): £20.00		
<b>Venue:</b> Online Learning, Online, ZZ99 9ZZ		
<p><b>Theme(s):</b> The WEA has four themes it uses for planning its provision.  <b>Employability</b> – helping students to get a job or to make progress in their employment  <b>Health and Wellbeing</b> – making a positive contribution to their own or others health and wellbeing  <b>Community Engagement</b> – encouraging students to be positively involved in their communities  <b>Culture</b> – learning about diverse cultures, identities and environments</p> <p>The Theme(s) used in planning your course is/ are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Employability</b></li> <li></li> </ol>		

## Course Aim

This Employability course is designed to encourage and motivate people of working age to gain employment perhaps for the first time.

## Course Description

The aim of this course is to encourage and motivate people of working age to gain employment perhaps for the first time. Students will gain knowledge of how to create emails, maybe for the first time and how to upload cover letter and CV's. Students will develop their skills and knowledge of the hidden jobs market and how to source vacancies. How to meet employer expectations by tailoring CV's to meet vacancy requirements for a variety of jobs. Students will be able to widen their networking circle through group interaction, developing confidence and motivate. The course will involve activities such as written and presentation work through interview techniques to aid employment prospects in the future.

## Do I need any particular skills or experience?

## What will I achieve?

### By the end of the course I will be able to:

1. Recognise how technology can help in gaining employment and develop these skills
2. Identify how to use technology for job searches and finding career opportunities
3. Identify the hidden job market within your local areas and how to access them

4. Identify how to join an employment agency online
5. Recognise and identify how to develop and improve your curriculum vitae & Interview techniques

### **What teaching methods will be used and will there be work outside of the class?**

- The WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas will be used to provide resources or to support lessons, enable assessment, provide learner feedback and for other activities for individuals away from the course. If you want to understand more about our digital learning platform please visit: <http://bit.ly/WEAonline>
- The WEA tutor will use a range of different teaching and learning methods and encourage you and the group to be actively involved in your learning

### **What kind of feedback can I expect from the tutor?**

- You will be able to keep a record of your progress and achievement using photos, audio, text or documents uploaded into the WEA's digital learning platform, WEA Canvas.
- Your tutor will provide written, text and audio feedback recorded in WEA Canvas, WEA's digital learning platform.
- You will be able to keep a digital portfolio of your work on WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas.
- A range of informal activities will be used by the tutor to see what you are learning which may include quizzes, question and answer, small projects and discussion
- You will have opportunities to discuss your progress with your tutor
- You will be encouraged to share your work with the group and discuss your learning
- You will be encouraged to consider other students work and give your opinions and suggestions
- A file of work will be kept which will help to record your progress
- There will be a number of tasks appropriate to your course such as written work, creating art or craft, video, photography or small projects. Some of these may be marked to help you progress

### **What else do I need to know? Is there anything I need to bring?**

- What you need: You will need an internet connection, speakers, a microphone and a webcam so that you can use our video learning platform, Zoom. If you'd like to understand more Zoom please visit: <http://bit.ly/ZoomSpec>
- Nothing else is needed

### **Pre-course work, reading and information sources**

- No pre reading or pre course work is required

### **Possible next steps after this course (including career opportunities if appropriate)**

- Progress to another WEA course
- This course could lead to a range of job opportunities. Follow link to National Careers Service for more details <https://nationalcareersservice.direct.gov.uk/>
- Become involved with the WEA in a range of voluntary work and other activities including campaigning as a WEA member
- You could progress to Higher Education courses. Follow link to the PEARL website for information <http://pearl.open.ac.uk/>
- Access the WEA What Next? booklet here <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/what-can-i-do-next>

### **Learning with the WEA**

WEA courses increasingly make use of the rich variety of educational tools and material available on the internet and from digital devices. The WEA's digital learning platform, Canvas will play an increasing role in all WEA courses to provide resources or support, or to conduct lessons, enable assessment, provide learner feedback and for other activities for individuals away from the course. It is helpful, although not essential if you have access to a computer or smartphone to support your course.

You can read about your entitlements and responsibilities as a WEA student in our leaflet, Student Handbook here <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/student-support> This includes information on fees, learning support and financial support. As part of your course you accept our Learning Agreement and Privacy Notice. Full details of the Learning Agreement and privacy notice can be found on our website at <http://www.wea.org.uk/policies>. This applies to all courses you take in this academic year.

You can enrol online for most courses <http://www.wea.org.uk/learn-wea/course-search> or contact: WEA Support Services, Suite 10B Joseph's Well, Hanover Way, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS3 1AB  
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