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Wednesday 9 June
1000-1700

Thursday 10 June
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WELCOME

I'm delighted to welcome you to Virtual College Expo21.

College Expo is Scotland's landmark event for everyone working, studying or involved in post-16 education and training. Free to attend, it is a celebration of college excellence, and our national focus for staff development and practical innovation. Now more than ever, coming together as one community of educators and learners is so important – I am delighted that Expo can offer us that platform.

This year, the overarching theme is 'Press the reset button: Reimagining college learning and life.' The theme will focus on the adjustments that have worked well during the pandemic, what we can take forward, and how that could alter and enhance college learning and life in the future.

We are delighted to offer this two-day Virtual College Expo to reflect on this important theme across a programme of inspirational keynote speakers, seminars, and the highly anticipated Skills Arena. Visit this area to watch films of skills development in action, and speak to college students, staff and employers about their experiences. You



will also have the opportunity to network and interact with a wide range of organisations in our Virtual Exhibition hall.

New for 2021 is a series of five panel discussions. Each session will focus on key strategic themes: Professional Learning, Student Experience, Management and Leadership, Curriculum Design, and High Impact Learning. Don't miss these sessions, which are set to provide thought-provoking insight and discussion.

I hope you enjoy your time at Virtual College Expo21 and look forward to e-meeting you there.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jim Metcalfe'. The signature is stylized and fluid.

Jim Metcalfe
Chief Executive, CDN

ABOUT US

College Development Network (CDN)

Virtual College Expo21 is brought to you by CDN.

CDN is the national agency in Scotland that supports skills and sector development across colleges and vocational learning. Our mission to support the college and skills system in driving success for students, their wider communities and regional economies.

Our key objectives include:

1. Supporting the learning workforce to develop excellent digital skills
2. Promoting systems leadership development opportunities across the sector
3. Developing collaborative research and enquiry programmes
4. Tackling the climate emergency and building a sustainable economy.



HIGHLIGHTS

Overarching theme

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View the full programme on [Pages 5-6](#)

NEW

to Virtual College Expo21!

SKILLS ARENA



Visit the Student Skills Arena which will feature skills development approaches, with a particular focus on developing skills remotely. You will also have the opportunity to view skills in action across industry sectors and hear from the teaching teams and students behind them.

View the full Student Skills Arena programme on [Page 8](#)

INTERACTIVE PANEL SESSIONS

Don't miss the thought-provoking panel sessions covering key strategic themes: Professional Learning, Student Experience, Management and Leadership, Curriculum Design, and High Impact Learning.

View all Panel Sessions in the main programme on [Pages 5-6](#)

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Keynote

📍 Main Auditorium



Panel Sessions

📍 Main Auditorium



Seminar / Workshop

📍 Breakout Rooms

Time	Keynote	Panel Sessions	Seminar / Workshop
1000	<p>1015 Welcome to College Expo21 Jamie Hepburn MSP</p> <p>1030 Helena Good, Edinburgh College, TES FE Teacher of the Year 2020</p>		
1100			<p>1115 Supporting Mental Health (Part 1)</p> <p>1130 Creating the College of the Future</p>
1145 Grab a coffee and have a screen break			
1200		<p>1215 Panel Session 1: Professional Learning</p>	<p>1230 Instructional Coaching</p> <p>1245 Apps for Student Engagement</p>
1300			<p>1315 Developing Staff Digital Skills</p> <p>1330 Marketing Hits the Refresh Button</p>
1345 Lunch Break			
1400	<p>1415 Ollie Bray, Strategic Director, Education Scotland</p>	<p>1430 Panel Session 2: Student Experience</p>	<p>1445 #GTCSRegistrationReady? (for Lecturing Staff)</p> <p>Foundation Apprenticeships: Remote Delivery</p>
1500			<p>1515 A Digitally Enhanced Future</p> <p>1530 Delivering Social Value in New College Construction</p>
1600		<p>1615 Panel Session 3: Management and Leadership <i>(please note this session will finish at 1715)</i></p>	<p>1630 An Authority-Wide Skills Journey</p> <p>1645 National Overview of Remote Learning</p>
1700			

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1100			Virtual Placements
1115			Supporting Mental Health (Part 2)
1130	Grab a coffee and have a screen break		
1145			
1200		Panel Session 1: Institutional Approaches to Curriculum Design	#GTCSRegistrationReady? (for line managers and college leaders)
1215			WorldSkills Centre of Excellence
1230			Developing Student Digital Skills
1245			International Mobility Education
1300			
1315			
1330	Lunch Break		
1345			
1400	Keynote Session tbc		
1415		Panel Session 2: High Impact Learning	NextGen: HN
1430			Student-Staff Digital Workshops
1445			
1500			Big Data: Developing Curriculum
1515			A Blueprint for College Collaboration
1530			
1545			
1600			Teaching in Colleges Today Qualification
1615			Online Student Engagement
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1645			
1700			



Nearly one in 10 jobs in Scotland are generated by the circular economy¹

What are you doing to ensure that every job is a green job?

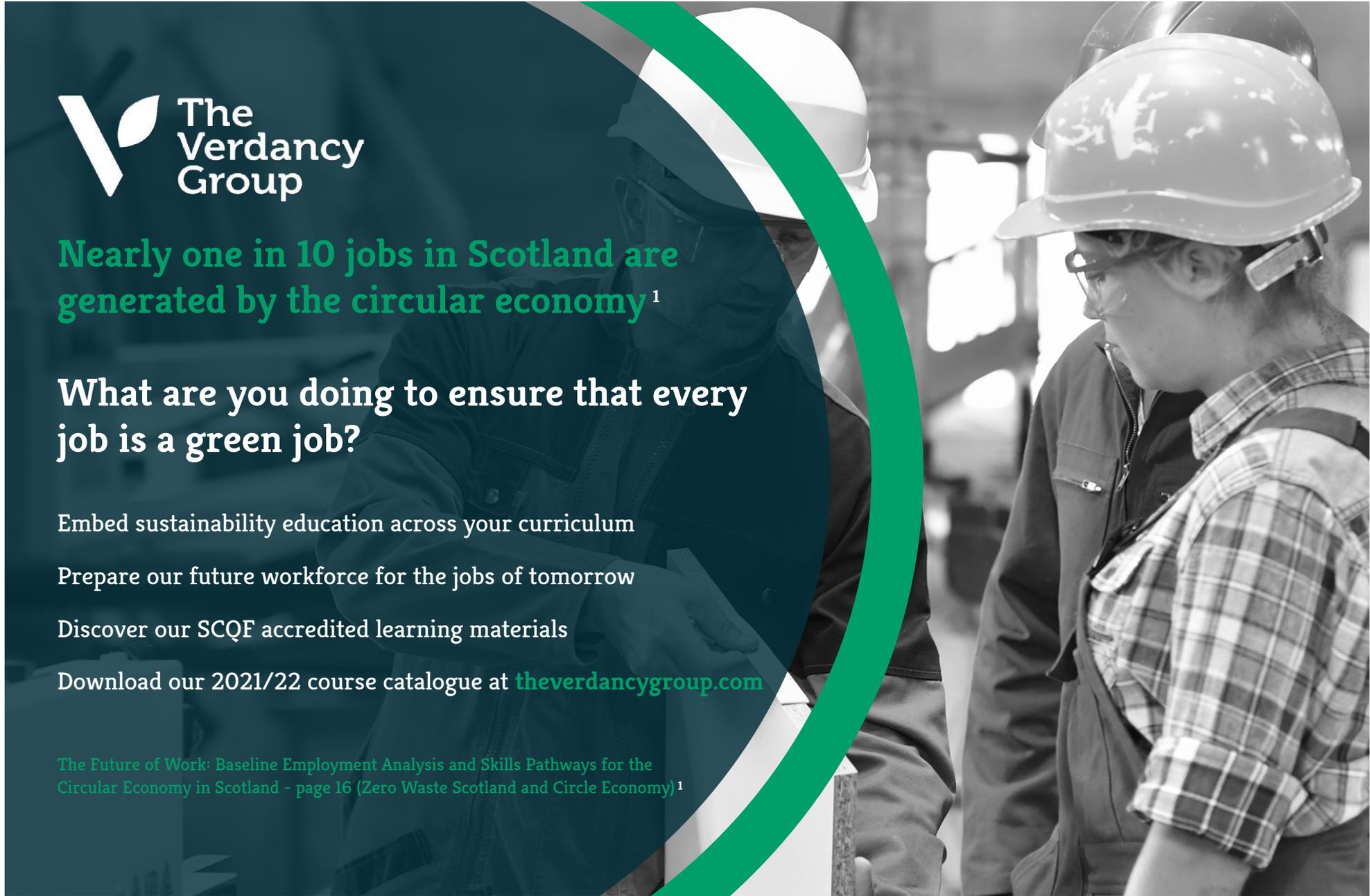
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The Future of Work: Baseline Employment Analysis and Skills Pathways for the Circular Economy in Scotland - page 16 (Zero Waste Scotland and Circle Economy)¹



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Early Years 🕒 1100–1130

Simulated learning environments and Peep Programme

Lyndsey Pack, Curriculum Manager – Early Years,
and Laura Niven – Early Years Lecturer, Ayrshire College

This session will look at how practical sessions within Early Learning and Childcare have been delivered during the pandemic with a particular focus on Stimulated Learning Environments and the Peep Programme.

Green Economy 🕒 1200–1230

Fuel Change - building a carbon neutral future

David Reid, Programme Director, Fuel Change

Join this session to discover how fuel change provides a unique opportunity for talented apprentices to collaborate and innovate together. The aim is to help develop low carbon solutions to support the move towards net-zero by working on leading industry employers' climate challenges.

Green Economy 🕒 1245–1315

Responding to the needs of industry, fuelling the green skills pipeline

David McLaren, Interim Associate Principal for Faculty of Construction,
South Lanarkshire College

This session will first outline, from the employers' perspective, what kind of response they seek from colleges in establishing training and certification for their employees and prospective employees. The session will also outline the response that key funding partners such as the Energy Skills Partnership are looking for from colleges, and outline opportunities that the Green Curriculum will generate.

Creative Industries 🕒 1430–1500

Engagement with 'Earnest'

Kieran McLoughlin, Lecturer, Fife College
Sarah Halliwell, Academic Head, Fife College

Discover how Acting and Performance students used Microsoft Teams for online rehearsals of the 'Importance of Being Earnest', separating the casts into breakout groups; and also taking a blended approach using a large mobile touch screen monitor in the rehearsal room.

Creative Industries 🕒 1515–1545

**Engaging students in Digital Performance
– A show on Instagram**

Ashling Findlay-Carroll, Curriculum Leader for Performing Arts,
Edinburgh College

Students from Edinburgh College Performing Arts Department worked collaboratively over seven days to create a site responsive performance, presented on Instagram. Using a platform that students were fluent in empowered them to be the driving force of the work and engagement in class work increased dramatically. This session will talk the audience through the skills they developed, as well as the process from concept to performance.

WorldSkills 🕒 1600–1630

WorldSkills Cooking Team

John Crowe

This session will share how the use of cutting edge technology and creativity in lesson planning helped to prepare students for the forthcoming WSUK virtual event.

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Hospitality and Tourism 🕒 1045–1115

Recreating the Restaurant Experience at Home

Shirley Simpson, Lecturer in Hospitality, Perth College UHI

Students at Perth College UHI were given the task of using their Operational Planning document and adapting it to provide a virtual package to someone within their family/bubble. The students prepared food for them to finish/reheat at home, alongside video tutorials with instructions on napkin folds, setting the table, making the cocktail and plating the food. An exciting and innovative way of managing their dinner service, reflecting what is happening in industry!

Esports and WorldSkills 🕒 1145–1245

Esports Live Competition!

Forth Valley College vs Alva Academy

Join this exciting live esports match between Forth Valley College students and pupils from Alva Academy. The match will be produced and casted by students from the Gaming Society at Forth Valley College – and will showcase the multi-disciplinary skills that are used to deliver an esports event.

WorldSkills 🕒 1245–1315

WorldSkills competitions

Derek Steven, Curriculum Leader in Science, New College Lanarkshire and WorldSkills judge

Derek Steven talks about the benefits of WorldSkills competitions.

Food and Drink 🕒 1415–1445

**Aquaculture in lockdown
– first hand experiences**

Mary Fraser, Jeni Adamson, Donald Waring and Clare Jordan, SAIC, Lantra Scotland, Mowi & Scottish Sea Farms

This session will present a video commentary from apprentices about the work at Mowi and Scottish Sea Farms, talking about their experiences of continuing to learn during lockdown. The work of fish farms has continued amidst the challenges of the pandemic.

Employability Skills 🕒 1500–1530

Developing the skills of course representatives

Nurina Sharmin, Associate Trainer, sparqs

Rachel Hinde, Associate Trainer, sparqs

sparqs' online training workshops are facilitated by its Associate Trainers (ATs) across Scottish institutions to equip reps for their role. In this Skills Showcase, sparqs ATs will emphasise the varied skills that course representatives can learn, and the new skills and experience that their trainers gained during this year of transition in learning and teaching.

Employability Skills 🕒 1545–1615

**Prince's Trust Experiential to Online...
The Journey So Far!**

Amanda Mercer, Prince's Trust Team Leader, Fife College

Amanda discusses how the experiential online course of contact team activities helped build confidence and create employability skills and life chance for their learners.

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

We are delighted to welcome the following keynote speakers in the  **Main Auditorium**

Jamie Hepburn MSP

Minister for Higher Education and Further Education, Youth Employment and Training

Jamie Hepburn was appointed Minister for Higher Education and Further Education, Youth Employment and Training in May 2021.



Jamie was educated at Hyndland Secondary and the University of Glasgow, graduating with a degree in Politics and History. He served as National Convener of the SNP's student and youth wings, was MSP for Central Scotland between 2007 and 2011 and has been MSP for Cumbernauld and Kilsyth since 2011.

He was appointed Minister for Sport, Health Improvement and Mental Health in November 2014. He was previously the Minister for Employability and Training and the Minister for Business, Fair Work and Skills.

Helena Good

Graphic Design Lecturer at Edinburgh College, Currently on a 12-month secondment to Skills Development Scotland, Tes FE Teacher of the Year 2020



Throughout her time as a Lecturer, Helena has sought to develop how employers and educators work together to create the workforce of the future.

In January 2017, Helena launched Daydream Believers, a unique programme of engagement supporting educators, employers and designers to create resources that put creativity at the heart of education. Daydream Believers is supported by global brands, universities and colleges.

Helena is part of a collective working on the Creative Bravery Festival. This online event celebrates acts of creative bravery and uses them to transform and rethink the way we educate.

Join Helena's keynote 'Tell Me a Story, Make Me Care' where she will share her experience of working for over 25 years as a lecturer in FE. Her story is one of collaboration, discovery, and action. Helena believes that now more than ever we are being called to be creatively brave, to connect to people beyond our known spheres and believe that anything is possible if you are willing to take the first step!

Join Helena on Wednesday at 1030  Main Auditorium

KEYNOTES...

The MacLean Brothers

Ewan, Jamie and Lachlan MacLean
Out of Our Depth: Embracing the Unknown



We're delighted to welcome the world-record breaking MacLean Brothers – the first three brothers to row any ocean, and the youngest and fastest trio to ever row the Atlantic - interviewed by their cousin, our very own Sandy MacLean, CDN Lead, Curriculum and Teaching.

Meet the MacLean Brothers:



Ewan is the eldest brother and is a design engineer. He was in charge of the technical elements of the adventure and made sure the boat was performing in the harsh conditions of the Atlantic.



Jamie is a designer and landscaper in Glasgow. His thorough and holistic nature helped to make sure the right things happened at the right time during the run up to the race and whilst they were at sea.



Lachlan, the youngest brother, is a Philosophy student at the University of Glasgow. He was in charge of communications and helped to spread their story with those supporting from home.

Join The MacLean Brothers on Thursday at 1000 📍 Main Auditorium

Ollie Bray

Strategic Director,
Education Scotland



Ollie is currently Strategic Director at Education Scotland, where he has overall strategic responsibility for National Improvement Initiatives. This includes major national initiatives, such as the ongoing implementation of Curriculum for Excellence (including curriculum, pedagogy and assessment); STEM; Developing the Young Workforce; Digital Learning and Teaching; the Learner Journey; Community Learning and Development; Inclusion and Wellbeing and Equality.

Previously Ollie was Global Director: Connecting Play and Education at the LEGO Foundation where he led the Foundations work related to education improvement through the use of technology and play. As part of this role, he also led the Foundation's Covid-19 distance learning response stream.

Ollie has over 20 years' experience in all aspects of education. As well as his philanthropic, school and systems leadership work, he has also been an award winning teacher, Scotland's former national advisor for emerging technologies in learning and a non-executive director at Inverness College UHI. He is currently Chair of the Board at the International School of Billund, Denmark.

Join Ollie on Wednesday at 1400 📍 Main Auditorium

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College Development Network (CDN) is the national agency in Scotland that supports skills and sector development across colleges and vocational learning.

CDN's three-year [Strategic Framework 2020-23](#), sets out five key Outcomes, through which we will realise our mission to support the college and skills system in driving success for students, their wider communities and regional economies.

We will phase our strategic planning over the coming three years to ensure our Outcomes are achieved. As we support staff and students to recover from the Covid-19 pandemic, and work with colleges to play their part in Scotland's economic revival by providing people with the skills employers need, there are some objectives we have focused on through the 2020-21 academic session, including:

1. Supporting the learning workforce to develop excellent digital skills
2. Promoting systems leadership development opportunities across the sector
3. Developing collaborative research and enquiry programmes focused on recovery and practical innovation in education and skills
4. Ensuring that tackling the climate emergency and building a sustainable economy is at the heart of the post-Covid strategy

Each year we engage with thousands of members of staff working in colleges across Scotland through our training and network events. We also work with learners through our thematic projects like our Governance and Leadership Summit, College Expo event, and College Awards programme.

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EAUC are the alliance for sustainability leadership in education. Primarily funded through the Scottish Funding Council, the EAUC-Scotland team are delivering a three year programme accelerating action and leadership in Scotland's colleges and universities to respond to the climate emergency.

Find free resources, events, and peer support networks on their [website](#).

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GTC Scotland is the national professional registration body for college lecturers in Scotland. It carries out a wide range of statutory functions and other initiatives to promote, support and develop the teaching profession. In 2018, there was a national agreement to register all lecturers working in Scotland's colleges through GTC Scotland. www.gtcs.org.uk/college




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- Tailored support for developing credit rating processes
- Specific capacity building projects

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 WE SUPPORT RECOGNITION OF SKILLS AND LEARNING IN ALL SECTORS

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FLEXIBILITY
 WE PROVIDE RESOURCES WHICH DEMONSTRATE OUR BENEFITS AND FLEXIBILITY



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The SCQF Partnership provides support to all colleges in Scotland.

As well as assistance with credit rating and free workshops, the SCQFP also encourages colleges to join its College Ambassador Programme. It aims to encourage colleges to engage with the SCQF to raise awareness and understanding of the Framework among a wider audience. This will enable staff to cascade their knowledge of the benefits of the Framework and credit rating across the college with the full support of the SCQFP Team.

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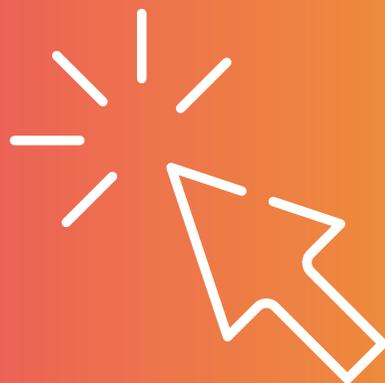
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