

The Young STEM Leader Programme is growing...



Ever since the launch of the STEM Strategy back in 2017, there has been a demand for an SCQF Level 7 version of the Young STEM Leader Programme. SSERC is excited to announce that this demand is now being met.

SCQF Level 7 Award in STEM Leadership

With the support of Ocean Winds and the SCQF Partnership, SSERC has developed a new Award in STEM Leadership at SCQF Level 7. This new level of YSLP is designed for colleges, senior phase learners and community settings with a specific focus on Learning for Sustainability and the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

Taking part in the award will comprise learners undertaking a research project, with assessment being holistic and based on project outputs – rather than the traditional Young STEM Leader Log.



Across academic year 2022/2023, a small writing and development group was formed consisting of existing Tutor Assessors and representatives from colleges, SQA and Zero Waste Scotland to produce an initial award framework, outlining the six Learning Outcomes that STEM Leaders will achieve as part of a project-based qualification.

As of August 2023, SSERC is undergoing the credit rating process with SQA.

Over twenty centres have been recruited to take part in a limited award pilot starting in September 2023. The award will be available to all centres starting in June 2024.

For more information or to get involved with YSLP visit: <https://www.youngstemleader.scot/> <<

 1 Evaluate and improve their own leadership skills and qualities	 2 Identify a research project question considering Learning for Sustainability and the UN Sustainable Development Goals	 3 Appraise how an identified individual, group or organisation can support their project as a mentor/coach/advisor	 4 Develop a method and timeline to gather evidence for their project question	 5 Gather, analyse and review results	 6 Present the conclusions of the project
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