

# Securing High-Quality RE: Tailored Support for Secondary Schools

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## Delivery and Fee

The CPD offer can be delivered at an agreed date, either at the university or at a venue of your choice.

The fee for our training is determined by the duration of the session, which is **tailored to the content you wish to cover**. We work closely with you to design a session that meets your specific needs, and the total cost will be calculated based on our hourly rate and the time required to effectively cover the chosen topics. Please contact us for more information.

Ofsted's Deep and Meaningful report (2024) highlights major issues in Religious Education across secondary schools, including superficial coverage, statutory gaps and lack of teacher specialist knowledge. Many pupils are not receiving their entitlement of high-quality RE, meaning that they are less likely to be gaining the knowledge and skills necessary to flourish in their local, national and global contexts.

We can work with you to meet your school's specific needs to ensure that your pupils get the engaging and challenging religious education they deserve. We tailor our support to your school's specific context—whether that means equipping teachers who are new to RE with foundational confidence, or offering refreshers and deeper development for more experienced staff. This might include:

**Curriculum review & redesign** – build depth, coherence and progression informed by the latest national research & developments in religion & worldviews, and where appropriate, by local arrangements for RE

**Subject-specific CPD** – equip teachers with secure knowledge and classroom confidence

**Assessment support** – move beyond memorisation to genuine understanding

**Compliance check** – meet statutory obligations in full

**Exam support** - how to improve delivery and results in GCSE and A-level Religious Studies

**Subject Leadership** - support for subject leaders to develop and implement a vision for the subject.

## Find Out More

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