Higher Education Teaching Resources: Consultant Required

The UK Parliament's Universities Programme are planning to develop a suite of teaching resources for use in the Higher Education sector, to support teaching and learning about the UK Parliament across a variety of courses.

We are looking for a consultant to undertake some consultation with the Higher Education sector and internal stakeholders at Parliament, to develop a draft suite of teaching resources for approval, and then to take them through some user testing with students and tutors.

About us

The UK Parliament's Outreach and Engagement Service works with people and communities across the United Kingdom to increase public understanding of, and engagement with, the UK Parliament.

The Universities Programme is part of the Outreach and Engagement Service. We support teaching and learning about Parliament across Higher Education, and encourage continuing engagement between Parliament and the academic and student community. We do this by:

- Offering free presentations and workshops for students at any university across the UK
- Delivering the Parliamentary Studies module, co-taught with 20 UK universities
- Providing training events for academic researchers on how to engage with Parliament
- Running Academic Fellowships at Parliament and promoting other ad hoc opportunities for academic researchers to get involved with Parliament

What we are looking for

We are looking for a consultant with experience of working in the Higher Education sector and developing teaching resources, who can carry out some consultation, develop resources and test them with user groups.

There are three elements to this project, as outlined below.

Consultation, considering these questions:

- What content/topics need to be covered? What are the learning aims from Parliament?
- What type of teaching resource would best suit the sector?
- How can resources appeal to a wide range of courses?
- How could the resources be distributed and used effectively, and also tracked for monitoring and evaluation?

Resource development:

- Creation of a suite of resources which fit the needs of both the Higher Education sector and the UK Parliament
- Resources to be approved by Parliament

User testing with students and tutors, considering these questions:

- Do the resources effectively support learning aims?
- Can resources be used independently by tutors from a range of courses?

Output

A suite of teaching resources, based on consultation with the Higher Education sector and Parliamentary stakeholders, and tested with users. Final resources to be delivered by December 2017.

Budget

We have allocated a budget of £6,000 for this work. This is to include consultant fees, consultant expenses, any expenditure on consultation and user testing plus VAT.

How you can respond to this brief

To respond to this brief, email Robert Baldry (robert.baldry@parliament.uk) with a CV, a short overview of how you would go about the work and your costs by **24 August 2017**. If you would like more detailed information or have any questions about the work, please get in touch with Robert on robert.baldry@parliament.uk / 020 7219 1832 / 07917 488 692.