Blended learning modules for languages teachers in 2017

The Language Advisory Network Group (LANG) is developing a series of registered blended learning modules to meet the professional learning needs of language teachers across NSW.

Overview
The Languages Advisory Network Group (LANG) includes 10 school-based language teachers who are working in collaboration with Language Officers from the Languages and Culture team (Secondary Education - Learning and Teaching Directorate). This group is designing a suite of online professional learning modules to be delivered online in a blended learning mode.

Quality assurance
The modules have been designed in response to the NSW Government’s existing commitment to raising student performance and outcomes across all key learning areas. All of the modules align strongly with the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers and are QTC registered courses.

Target audience
The modules support secondary languages teachers to enhance the learning outcomes of 21st century learners.

Implementation
One module per term will be released in 2017, starting with Languages and Numeracy. Term 2: Languages and Literacy Term 3: Languages and Differentiation Term 4: Languages and Project-Based Learning

The LANG is also developing the following modules for release in 2018-2019:
- Languages and Quality Teaching
- Languages and Blended Learning
- Languages and BYOD
- Languages and Critical and Creative Thinking
- Languages and Linking Students
- Languages and Google Tools.

Languages and Numeracy
This module supports NSW Department of Education languages teachers (7-10) in implementing effective, evidence-based teaching and learning strategies that support and build students’ numeracy skills within the context of languages.

The course consists of:
- a pre-task
- two online webinars
- a post-task.

Participants are required to participate in both webinars which will be facilitated via Adobe Connect from 3:30 PM on:

Completion of the Languages and Numeracy module will contribute 3 hours of QTC Registered PD addressing standards 2.5.2 and 6.2.2 towards maintaining Proficient Teacher Accreditation in NSW.

Register online through MyPL. Languages and Numeracy RG01091 Closing date: 17 February 2017
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