

Digital User Experience (UX) Professional Degree Apprenticeship

End Point Assessment (EPA) Overview

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1. EPA headlines

- Passed all the modules in the Digital User Experience (UX) Degree, other than the end point assessment
- EPA period is 6 months
- Must provide gateway requirements according to EPAO listed below
- Must have ID and Webcam for EPA
- 2 Assessment methods at EPA

Professional Discussion (underpinned by a portfolio)

- 60 minutes (+/- 10%)
- Minimum of 8 open questions
- Apprentice must have access to their portfolio of evidence

Work-based Project Report and Presentation with Questioning

- Project title and summary to be approved beforehand
- Report has a word limit of 2,500 words (+/- 10%)
- The presentation will typically last for 30 minutes and the question and answers a further 20 minutes (+/- discretionary 10%)
- Minimum of 1 open question will be asked at the end of the presentation

2.Gateway

Gateway is the point that the employer is satisfied that the apprentice is consistently working at or above the level set out in the occupational standard. In making this decision, the employer may take advice from the training provider, but the decision must ultimately be made by the employer.

Apprentices must meet the following gateway requirements for Level 6 Digital User Experience (UX) Professional Degree Apprenticeship:

- Passed all degree modules (except End Point Assessment)
- EPA gateway checklist
- Submitted portfolio of evidence
- Submitted project title and brief summary
- Level 2 English and Maths evidence



• Completion of the Off the Job hours

The EPAO determines when all gateway requirements have been met, and the EPA period will only commence once the EPAO has confirmed this.

3.End Point Assessment

The EPA window for Level 6 Digital User Experience (UX) Professional Degree Apprenticeship is typically 6 months.

For the End Point Assessment, the learner must complete the following assessments:

- Assessment method 1: Professional Discussion (underpinned by a portfolio)
- Assessment method 2: Work-based Project Report and Presentation with Questioning

Assessment Method 1: Professional Discussion (underpinned by a portfolio)

This assessment is graded Pass, Distinction or Fail. The professional discussion will last 60 minutes (+/- discretionary 10%) and the apprentice will be able to draw upon their portfolio of evidence. The professional discussion will allow the Independent Assessor to ask questions, enabling the apprentice to demonstrate fulfilment of the knowledge, skills and behaviours identified in the standard.

Assessment Method 2: Work-based Project Report and Presentation with Questioning

This assessment is graded Pass, Distinction or Fail. This assessment has 2 components which will be marked together as one method.

Component 1: Work-based Project Report

The report on the work-based project will have a word limit of 2,500 words (+/- 10%) and is to be completed after gateway. The employer will ensure the apprentice has sufficient time and the necessary resources, within the EPA period, to plan and undertake the work-based project. The report should include:

- Executive summary
- Background or context
- Introduction
- Methodology



- Results section
- Recommendations
- Conclusion
- Appendix
 - This is to include the mapping of where the report demonstrates each of the knowledge, skills and behaviours for this assessment method against the four themes – Methodological Selection and Application, Critical and Analytical Thinking, Creative Thinking and Execution and Effective Communication.

Component 2: Presentation

A minimum of 10 days' notice will be given to the apprentice of the presentation date and time. The presentation will typically last for 30 minutes and the question and answers a further 20 minutes, a total of 50 minutes (+/- 10%) duration. Presentations will typically consist of 5-8 presentation slides based on the apprentice's work-based project report and will include:

- The report scope
- Outcomes/achievements
- Any difficulties faced/lessons learner and recommendations

A minimum of one question will be asked by the independent assessor following the presentation and follow up questions are allowed.

4. Grading

Both assessment methods must be passed in order to pass overall.

| Professional Discussion | Report and Presentation | Overall Grade |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|
| Pass | Pass | Pass |
| Pass | Distinction | Merit |
| Distinction | Pass | Merit |
| Distinction | Distinction | Distinction |



5.Resit and Retakes

Both assessment methods must be successfully passed. If an apprentice fails one or more assessment method(s) then they can re-sit or re-take during the six-month EPA window. If the re-sit or re-take is not completed within this timeframe, then the entire EPA will need to be re-taken in full. A re-sit does not require further learning, whereas a re-take does.

If the Professional Discussion is failed, the Apprentice is permitted to use the same portfolio during any re-sit or re-take attempts. If the Project report with presentation and supplementary questioning assessment method is failed, the apprentice must produce and submit a new report and presentation. Re-sits/re-takes will not be awarded a grade higher than a pass.

Further information on the Level 6 Digital User Experience (UX) Professional Degree Apprenticeship can be found in the <u>assessment plan</u>. A full list of the Knowledge, Skills and Behaviours (KSBs) can be found on the Institute for Apprenticeships website <u>here</u>.



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