

# Accredited Specialist Training Courses

In conjunction with Teesside University, Honeyman is now offering a range of accredited training courses for those wishing to gain Accredited Specialist status.

With the increasing focus on ASTM E2500 and the regulatory pressures being forced on sites to foster and cultivate knowledge and skills, it is expected that within 5 years, all sites will have Accredited Specialists to oversee quality critical systems, processes and functions.

## What is an Accredited Specialist?

An Accredited Specialist is an individual that has successfully completed a formally assessed, accredited training course, demonstrated a high level of knowledge and thorough understanding of a particular subject and is competent in identifying, managing and evaluating system and process improvements.

## What is driving the need for Accredited Specialists?

A number of factors including current regulatory inspection trends, new standards such as ASTM E2500 and the focus to contract work back in are all resulting in a significant need for subject specialists. These factors will all contribute to increased ownership and control, improved compliance, reduced operating costs and an improved knowledge base but require up to date knowledge and expertise in the form of technical subject specialists.

## Why should I become an Accredited Specialist?

Becoming an Accredited Specialist not only provides you with a whole host of benefits but it gives you an internationally recognised qualification that demonstrates your knowledge and understanding of a particular subject.

## I need to obtain approval from my employer, how will my employer benefit from me studying for an accredited course and becoming an Accredited Specialist?

In addition to widening your knowledge and skill set, as part of your assessment you'll be reviewing your site's systems and processes and generating a process improvement plan with the objective of de-bottlenecking, driving cost savings and increasing efficiency. This will have been reviewed and assessed by our expert consultants and lecturers who will provide advice and guidance on the most cost effective and compliant solutions. Once an Accredited Specialist, you'll have the most in-depth knowledge of a subject and be able to formulate, implement and evaluate improvements to satisfy regulatory requirements, new product innovations and evolving business objectives.

## How do I become an Accredited Specialist?

Accredited Specialist status in a subject can be obtained by successfully completing one of our Principles in Practice training courses which has been accredited by Teesside University. In addition to attending the course, you will be required to complete a series of formal assessments demonstrating your knowledge and understanding.

## Can I become an Accredited Specialist in more than one subject?

Yes, each course has been designed to stand alone or complement the others. Our range of accredited courses will soon be expanded to help you meet your career objectives, personal interests and site's requirements. Becoming an Accredited Specialist in multiple subjects will demonstrate your technical abilities and commitment to becoming a specialist within the pharmaceutical industry.

## Which courses are accredited?

At present two courses have been accredited by Teesside University; Pharmaceutical Water Systems: Principles in Practice and Sterilisation: Principles in Practice. Additional courses will be added to this range

increasing the number of subjects you can gain Accredited Specialist status in, make sure to contact us and ask to be added to our mailing list to receive updates.



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## What will I be required to do?

Inform us that you'd like to be assessed for accreditation by ticking the box on the reservation form, we'll send you your course information pack which outlines the pre-course preparation and reading that you'll be required to complete and enrol you as a part-time student of Teesside University. Your pre-course preparation, which should take 5 days to complete, will include data collection and a written review and appraisal of applicable site systems and processes (500 – 1,000 words). Attend your chosen course and following this you'll complete a further assessment which may include a written examination. Upon your return to site you'll have 12 weeks to complete a project which will demonstrate and consolidate your learning, this should require a minimum of 10 days input and will be formally assessed by the Course Leader and an Examiner from Teesside University.

## What are the benefits of becoming an Accredited Specialist?

- **Become a subject specialist**
- **Gain an internationally recognised University Certificate in Professional Development (UCPD)**
- **Accrue recognised degree level credits**
- **Access Teesside University's library, resources and Virtual Learning Environment**
- **Identify and develop process improvement opportunities to increase your site's efficiency**
- **Obtain feedback on your process improvement ideas from our expert team of Lecturers and Consultants**
- **Be able to formulate, implement and evaluate improvements to satisfy regulatory requirements, new product innovations and evolving business objectives**

## How much does accreditation cost?

Nothing! Apart from the course fee and any travel and accommodation expenses you may incur there is no additional fee for taking the accreditation assessment.

Teesside University's School of Science & Engineering supports a broad range of engineering disciplines including Chemical, Civil and Construction, Electrical and Electronic, Instrumentation and Control and Mechanical to Advanced Materials, Sustainability and CAD/CAM.

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