

## Engage Weekly Update

### Professional Learning Opportunity

The Digital Discourse Initiative is a free online professional learning module for Scottish teachers and educators, developed by TIE and ISD as part of a new international collaboration. It provides bespoke educational tools to address the effects of online hate and disinformation on children and young people. This project complements and connects to our core work delivering LGBT Inclusive Education in Scotland.

#### What is it?

This E-Learning module provides teachers and school staff with an improved knowledge and understanding of how modern social media platforms work and their role in facilitating online disinformation and prejudicial content. The content in this module will also be relevant for Community Learning and Development (CLD) staff across Scotland. The module will provide you with tools, strategies, and considerations to respond to behaviours influenced by prejudicial content online and equip learners to become critical digital citizens. By completing this course, you will have:

- a basic understanding of current digital architecture
- a detailed knowledge of extremist content online
- an awareness of evidence-based 'Counter-Strategies' and relevant considerations for schools
- strategies and tools for curriculum making
- information about available resources

This course is suitable for all teachers, school staff and educators in Scotland.

You will receive a CPD certificate upon completion.

Duration: Approx. 4 hours

#### How to access the course:

<https://www.digitaldiscourse.scot/>

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