

Harassment and Bullying

Our learners are almost all adults.

Since the courses are home study, learners are protected from peer pressure and bullying.

On our online learning platform, the learner has access to a forum, where they can talk to other learners on the same course. This will be monitored to ensure content is related to the area of study. If any evidence of bullying or harassment is found or we are informed of this, we will investigate the incident and follow the procedure set out in our Complaints policy.

There is a possibility that a student could give out their contact details to another learner, after making contact with them, and this could result in bullying. This however, is no more probable or serious an issue than in the overall world of social networking.

Learners have a named course advisor and tutor they can contact.

For all these reasons, we don't regard peer bullying as a major threat to our students.

Occasionally, our learners complain about the marking or comments by their tutor. In such circumstances, we examine the complaint in the round and consider the possibility that the learner is being bullied or the comments unfair.

Please read our Equality and Diversity policy.