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Award

Post Graduate Award in Policy Government Policy Fast Stream

Department for Education

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Changes to notice

This notice has been edited. The [previous version](#) is still available.

Scope

Reference

project_10123

Description

This Direct Award is to King's College London for the delivery of the King's College London Post Graduate Award for the 2025 Government Policy Fast Stream cohort with teaching of the first module beginning in March. Designed with the UK Civil Service the KCL Post Graduate Award is designed for Government Policy Fast Streamers to support their development across the policy profession standards. This offer has been designed to complement the fast stream programme.

This direct award aims to provide learners continuity of service and provision, ensuring that there is no break in our ability to deliver accredited learning to fast streamers whilst we identify a longer-term procurement strategy and the Learning Framework 2.0 is established. If this Direct Award were not to proceed, we would have a gap in learning provision for this cohort, as KCL are the only supplier available to provide this programme in this timeframe.

Contract 1. Post Graduate Award in Policy Government Policy Fast Stream

Supplier

- King's College London

Contract value

- £731,170 excluding VAT
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Above the relevant threshold

Award decision date

18 September 2025

Standstill period

- End: 30 September 2025
- 0 working days

Earliest date the contract will be signed

10 October 2025

Contract dates (estimated)

- 10 October 2025 to 31 May 2028
- Possible extension to 31 May 2029
- 3 years, 7 months, 22 days

Description of possible extension:

Optional extension if an additional cohort needs to be onboarded to this contract if frameworks are unavailable

Main procurement category

Services

CPV classifications

- 80300000 - Higher education services

Procedure

Procedure type

Direct award

Supplier

King's College London

- Companies House: RC000297

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Email: policy-institute@kcl.ac.uk

Region: UKI32 - Westminster

Small or medium-sized enterprise (SME): No

Voluntary, community or social enterprise (VCSE): No

Supported employment provider: No

Public service mutual: No

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Contracting authority

Department for Education

- Public Procurement Organisation Number: PDZG-3487-DPVD

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Organisation type: Public authority - central government