

Vacancy No:	VA/UNSSC/005/2025
Post Title:	Associate Learning Officer (Leadership), P2
Organizational Unit:	Knowledge Centre for Leadership and Management
Duty Station:	Turin, Italy
Duration:	364 days (Temporary Appointment)
Deadline for applications:	19 March 2025

At the United Nations System Staff College (UNSSC), the paramount consideration in the recruitment and employment of staff is the necessity of securing the highest standards of efficiency, competence and integrity, with due regard to geographic diversity. All employment decisions are made on the basis of qualifications and organizational needs. UNSSC is committed to creating a diverse and inclusive environment of mutual respect. The United Nations recruits and employs staff regardless of gender identity, sexual orientation, race, religious, cultural and ethnic backgrounds or disabilities. Reasonable accommodation for applicants with disabilities may be provided to support participation in the recruitment process when requested and indicated in the application.

Organizational Context:

The United Nations System Staff College (UNSSC) is dedicated to serving the learning and knowledge needs of the UN system and partner organizations. We create first-rate learning experiences grounded in the bedrock values of multilateralism and dignity for all enshrined in the UN charter. Participants in our programmes rely on UNSSC to enhance their knowledge and skills across leadership and management, sustainable development, and peace and security. UNSSC is headquartered in Turin, Italy with an office in Bonn, Germany.

UNSSC's Knowledge Centre for Leadership and Management (KCLM) is composed by a multidisciplinary team of highly committed learning and change management professionals seeking to enable UN organizations to define and embrace a new management and leadership culture.

To achieve this KCLM pursues strategic partnerships and provides UN staff with unique knowledge pieces, advisory services, and world-class blended learning opportunities in core professional competencies, management, leadership, organizational development, and innovation skills aligned with and building on the UN System Leadership Framework approved by the UN System Chief Executives Board (CEB) for Coordination.

Terms of Reference

Under the supervision of a Learning Portfolio Manager in the UNSSC Knowledge Centre for Leadership and Management (KCLM), and with a focus on Leadership, the Associate Learning Officer will perform the following duties:

Learning Programme/Project Support

- Assisting in the design and development of learning initiatives, from vision through delivery and evaluation and functioning as a Project Coordinator:
 - Supporting programme mapping, scoping, and curriculum development and alignment ensuring pedagogical quality, relevance, and effectiveness;
 - Supporting the design, analysis and reporting of needs assessments, as well as learning and impact evaluations;
 - Contributing to the formulation of programmatic and learning objectives;
 - Drafting training proposals and concept papers (based on the requests and needs from clients and partners, as well as based on proactive research);
 - Keeping current with trends, best practices, new technologies, and emerging innovations in training and talent development, and identifying relevant actions, including new initiatives;
 - Undertaking, as delegated, project cycle management of synchronous and asynchronous Leadership, Women and the UN (LWUN) and other selected learning programmes;
 - Undertaking, as delegated, client relationship development and engagement;
 - Ensuring consistency of Cohorts/Editions between a range of LWUN with a particular focus on alignment of curriculum; cross-cutting themes; timelines; and work planning;
 - Coordinating alumni events;
 - Contributing to budgeting processes;
 - Participating in and delivering presentations on assigned topics/activities;
 - Supporting the design, coordination, implementation and facilitation of the Learning Managers Forum (LMF);
 - Contributing to facilitating and delivering of learning sessions and knowledge processes in the framework of workshops, online learning activities, webinars, self-paced modules, retreats and other formal and informal learning processes and events as required;
 - Contributing to the design, development and distribution of selected learning and reference materials;
 - Monitoring and analysing specific aspects of programme/project development and implementation;

- Participating in field missions, including client engagement, provision of substantive and administrative support, data collection, etc.
 - Contributing to outreach, marketing and communications activities; participating in the development of communications and marketing pieces, etc.;
- Supporting the management of instructional design contracts and e-learning development projects with external consultants, vendors, and internal focal points:
 - Coordinating external consultants, including Resource Persons with internal focal points to align on learning outcomes, learning experience design components;
 - Reviewing applications to training rosters;
 - Supporting efforts to expand and ensure diversity/quality of training rosters.
- Contributing to the development and iteration of quality assurance standards for learning programme design, development and delivery:
 - Supporting the review of selected learning programmes including modules and reference material, to ensure quality and accuracy;
 - Supporting efforts to improve user experience (UX) across digital learning tools and the Learning Management System.
- Contributing to team management and coordination:
 - Demonstrating UN leadership values and behaviours to foster teamwork, collaboration, and a culture of service excellence through innovation;
 - Supporting the coordination of roles and responsibilities for project delivery.

Knowledge Management

- Contributing to Knowledge Management processes for LWUN and other selected learning programmes:
 - Identifying/collecting/compiling good practice, successful examples, and relevant knowledge assets from participants' sharing and feedback;
 - Identifying cross-cutting themes, trends, and pain-points throughout programme delivery and evaluation;
 - Contributing to programme mapping, scoping, and curriculum development of KCLM offerings on Leadership and Management;
- Contributing to Knowledge Management processes for internal and external use, including;
 - Participating in Communities of Practice, both at the College as a whole and KCLM itself, to support collaborations and alignment across teams on learning experiences;
 - Compiling and analysing UX feedback and contributing ideas for the continued improvement of selected learning programmes;

- o Contributing to the development and maintenance of standardised guidebooks/job aids/promotional pieces on process; good practice; and lessons learned.

Perform other duties within functional profile as assigned and deemed necessary for the efficient functioning of the office and the Organization.

Qualifications Required

Education

Advanced University degree in adult learning, instructional design, educational technologies and related social sciences.

Experience

At least 2 years of working experience in adult learning and client support and engagement (required); experience in course creation, content authoring, activity set-up and participation management in LMS environments (required). Solid knowledge and experience of learning design (online, face-to-face, and blended), content management and curation (required). Previous working experience in the UN System is an asset.

Languages

Fluency in oral and written English is required. Knowledge of another UN official language is desirable.

Competencies

Client Orientation: Considers all those to whom services are provided to be “clients” and seeks to see things from clients’ point of view; establishes and maintains productive partnerships with clients by gaining their trust and respect; identifies clients’ needs and matches them to appropriate solutions; monitors ongoing developments inside and outside the clients’ environment to keep informed and anticipate problems; keeps clients informed of progress or setbacks in projects; meets timeline for delivery of products or services to client.

Commitment to Continuous Learning: Proven ability to keep abreast of new developments in own occupation/profession; willingness to develop oneself professionally and personally; willingness and ability to contribute to the learning of colleagues; willingness to learn from others; ability and willingness to seek feedback to learn and improve.

Communication: Speaks and writes clearly and effectively; listens to others, correctly interprets messages from others and responds appropriately; asks questions to clarify and exhibits interest in having two-way communication; tailors language, tone, style and format to match audience; demonstrates openness in sharing information and keeping people informed.

Creativity: Actively seeks to improve programmes or services; offers new and different options to solve problems or meet client needs; promotes and persuades others to consider new ideas; takes calculated risks on new and unusual ideas; thinks “outside the box”; takes an interest in new ideas and new ways of doing things; is not bound by current thinking or traditional approaches.

Professionalism: Solid understanding and experience in learning design and technology-enhanced learning; solid knowledge and experience in instructional design and e-learning content development; proven experience in learning ecosystem design. Demonstrated professional competence and mastery of subject matter.

Teamwork: Works collaboratively with colleagues to achieve organizational goals; solicits input by genuinely valuing others’ ideas and expertise; is willing to learn from others; places team agenda before personal agenda; supports and acts in accordance with final group decision, even when such decisions may not entirely reflect own position; shares credit for team accomplishments and accepts joint responsibility for team shortcomings.

Technological Awareness: Solid knowledge and experience of learning management systems and content authoring software. Understanding of applicability and limitation of technology to the work of the office and experience on the application of technology to support learning and training intervention. Experience in LMS system administration, online meeting and web conferencing tools is an asset.

Submission of applications

The application (in English) should include the following:

- a duly completed, updated and signed P11 form (<http://www.unssc.org/sites/unssc.org/files/p11un.doc>)
- a motivation letter elaborating in a concise style why you consider yourself qualified for this position; and

Please apply through the online application form available at:

<https://www.unssc.org/about/employment-opportunities>