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Introduction

My name is Caitlin Timlin, I am an Online Learning Designer in Student Learning and Academic Registry. I initially became aware of the MIEE accreditation a few years ago when I originally applied, and I have maintained my accreditation since then. Being given the opportunity to reflect on how I have used Microsoft tools each year has allowed me to consider ways in which I can utilise the tools in the year moving forward.

My background is in Graphic Design, and I studied this at university before moving to an online learning position in my current role. My role involves working with academic staff to develop content for the online learning provision at the University, considering best practices for learning in an online space. I am also currently studying for a Masters in Education to further my understanding of pedagogy, which I plan to apply to my current role.

My MIEE Journey

I first applied for MIEE in 2018-19 academic year. I based my first application on my first year in my role as a Graduate Online Learning designer, considering what I had learned as a new graduate from university. This was a bit of a challenge as I had limited experience to work from, but in the applications that followed I was able to build on my previous experience and apply a more detailed approach to my application.

Project Overview and Impact

For my latest MIEE application, I focussed on the case studies that I have created with academic staff to showcase the work that they do across the university. I decided to focus on this aspect of my work as I use various Microsoft tools during the process. From beginning with Outlook to contact

potential candidates for case studies, using Teams to speak to academic staff, to using OneNote to make notes during my conversation, and then using Microsoft Word and OneDrive to create the case study and share this with staff for checking.

The use of Microsoft tools during the creation of case studies has helped to streamline the process, allowing me to be able to connect with academic staff across the university in a quick and succinct way.

MIEE and My Role

I am hoping to benefit from being an MIEE by having access to online resources that are made available through the programme. I also like the sense of community that comes with being an MIEE, as it allows me to connect with others from various universities to gather insight into their best practice.

I plan on applying for MIEE status in the following years in order to gather more insight on how to innovatively use Microsoft products and apply them to my current practice.

The MIEE is a great way to take time to look back on the work you have done over the past year and showcase your skills to colleagues. It offers an opportunity for collaboration both within your own workplace and externally and is a great way to learn new skills!

Additional Resources & Useful Information

- Digital Transformation CPD.
- Teesside University's Knowledgebase-Guides.
- For help & support with Digital Pedagogy or MIEE related queries contact elearning@tees.ac.uk.