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| **Title** | **An Introduction to Circus Teaching (including aerial and acrobatic disciplines)** |
| **Dates** | 25th – 29th July (10am till 4pm) |
| **Accredited by** | Innovate Awarding |
| **For** | Teachers and Coaches new to circus disciplines and more experienced tutors who want to refresh their skills or gain a qualification in circus teaching. |
| **Overview** | Explore principles of good teaching practice across acrobatic and aerial disciplines. |
| **Aims** | Participants will   1. Share and compare teaching ideas and philosophies. 2. Gain understanding of essential principles of Circus teaching. 3. Use physical demands and challenges of Circus disciplines to explore a broader, more varied movement vocabulary. 4. Be able to select appropriate teaching methods in different teaching scenarios. |
|  | The course is focused on developing teaching practice and not the practical elements of the activities. Participants should be prepared to work physically but the intention is not to learn circus skills for themselves.  This should be viewed as a starting point for establishing circus teaching pedagogy. The course will raise questions and encourage participants to find their own answers that are relevant to their personal circumstances.  The group will be made up of teachers and coaches from around the UK. Some will be experienced circus practitioners and others will be new to aerial and acrobatic disciplines but bring skills and experience from other areas such as gymnastic, dance or theatre. It is intended that this mix of people will add depth to the discussions and evolve into a supportive network beyond the training.  Post training, individually tailored support will be offered to participants wanting to take the next steps of establishing provision in their local area.  All participants will be invited to attend a half day review session approximately 3 months after completing the course. This is an opportunity to reconnect with the National Centre team and the group and ask questions that have emerged from ‘real life’ teaching situations. |
| **Cost** | £950 per person |