

David Wills

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Profile:

CELTA-qualified native English speaker with over 25 years of teaching experience, including remote learning and academic leadership roles. Passionate about English language instruction and cross-cultural communication. Skilled at supporting learners of all levels and creating engaging, student-centred lessons. Currently seeking English teaching positions in Finland or internationally with a focus on teens, younger learners, adults, or business students.

Key skills:

- CELTA-qualified (2024). Prior to qualification, gained extensive experience teaching one-to-one and small groups, both in-person and online.
- 4+ years of experience using e-learning platforms to deliver effective virtual lessons.
- Proven ability to plan and manage courses to meet diverse student needs.
- Known for building rapport, providing feedback, and encouraging learner autonomy.
- Fluency in IT, web design, and multimedia skills complements my teaching abilities.

Employment History:

- **Higher Education Lecturer in Computing (online)** - *Bath College, UK (Sep 2020 – Jun 2024)*
Taught at degree level remotely from Finland, leading programmes and supporting progression.
- **Programme Leader/Lecturer in IT** - *Bath College, UK (Mar 2013 – Sep 2020)*
Delivered multimedia, web design, and programming courses to students aged 16+ and adults.
- **Team Leader/Lecturer in Graphic Design** - *Shepton Mallet Prison, UK (Nov 2004 - Mar 2013)*
Developed creative curriculum for prisoners, supported colleagues and maintained IT network.

Other Employment History (1993–2005):

- Course Leader - Foundation Degree Multimedia - *University Centre Yeovil, UK (2001 - 2005)*
- Adult Learner Tutor - *Somerset County Council, UK (2000 - 2005)*
- Freelance IT Trainer, Support Specialist & Mathematics Tutor - *freelance (1998 - 2005)*
- Lecturer in Product Design - *Ravensbourne University, UK (1997 - 1998)*
- Course Manager - Product Design - *University of Wales Institute, Cardiff, Wales (1994 - 1997)*
- Project Coordinator & Designer - *SKK Lighting, London (1993 - 1994)*

Degree and teaching qualifications:

- **Master of Design (Engineering)** - *Royal College of Art, London (1990 - 1992)*
- **B.Eng. (Hons) Mechanical Engineering** - *University of Birmingham, UK (1987 - 1990)*
- **CELTA** - *Berlin School of English - Berlin, Jul 2024 - Aug 2024*
- **QTLS** (Qualified Teacher in Learning & Skills) - *Bath College, UK, 2013*
- **Certificate in Further Education Teaching** (City & Guilds Level 4) - *Strode College, UK, 2005*

Interests:

Fixed-gear cycling, running, weight-training, photography, language learning, assisting with Airbnb hosting and setup, maintaining websites. Enjoy hands-on problem-solving and digital creativity.