## Skills2Work Editorial Board Subject Matter Expert Curation Process



#### What is SkillsCommons' Role in Workforce Training?

SkillsCommons is the U.S. national repository of workforce development training materials as part of the U.S. Department of Labor's \$1.9 billion TAACCCT program to provide FREE and OPEN access to:

- 1. A quality collection of online learning materials aligned to workforce requirements.
- 2. Professional development services to enable faculty and staff to choose the best open educational curriculum to meet their workforce needs.
- Community management services to enable Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) to reliably evaluate and share quality workforce development
  materials.

# Why Go through the Curation Process?

Human Resources staff and other human capital talent developers need efficient and reliable methods to select quality training materials required to enhance the skills of prospective and current employees. An effectively curated collection of training materials will:

- 1. Enable workforce trainers and faculty to design and deliver high-quality courses.
- 2. Provide a faster and cheaper approach to creating customized curricula for use by industry, workforce development boards and higher education.
- 3. Assist in keeping pace with training requirements of frequently changing workforce programs.





#### Who Are the Players?

National and regional subject matter experts in a range of industry sectors will bring their years of experience and wisdom to the curation of the collection. Each industry sector will have its panel of experts who have:

- 1. Proven content expertise.
- 2. Interest in providing the industry with high quality educational and training materials.
- 3. Capacity to perform the reviews within confines of the project.
- 4. Willingness to collaborate with colleagues on the expert review panels.

### What Is the SME's Specific Role?

Within a specified time frame and overseen by Industry Sector Editors, SMEs collaboratively curate a collection of 50 items showcase items by:

- 1. Calibrating a review rubric to align with industry sector priorities.
- 2. Reviewing training materials from SkillsCommons. The expectation is each Editorial Board will review 20 courses, included in the 50 items.
- 3. Submitting completed reviews and recommendations to Industry Sector Editors.
- 4. Having the opportunity to travel to <u>OLC INNOVATE</u> 2018 in Nashville, TN, April 17 - 20th (April 17th 1 - 5:00pm pre-conference)
- 5. Communicating with Industry Sector Editor as requested.
- 6. Participating in the larger SkillsCommons community activities as appropriate.



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## So, What's in it for SMEs?

Good Question! SMEs receive the following return for their investment in these high impact projects:

1. \$100 per completed evaluation of training material, up to 50 per Editorial Board.

2. Recognition of their roles on the Industry Sector Panel Expert published on the SkillsCommons website.



- 3. Official California State University Letter of Appointment outlining their roles and responsibilities and the positive impact of their efforts on our nation's workforce.
- 4. Opportunity to travel with expenses paid to INNOVATE 2018 (registration, air, hotel, meals).
- 5. Opportunity to impact the quality of national level training materials.

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