

AI Micro-Qualifications — Ireland's SOLAS and Microsoft Launch QQI-Accredited Level 5–6 AI Awards Across 16 Education and Training Boards

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Quality score: 40/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

Launched on 3 February 2026, SOLAS's Skills to Advance AI micro-qualifications are ~50-hour, subsidised, QQI-accredited Level 5/6 Special Purpose Awards delivered by 16 ETBs. No learner outcomes published yet.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Evidence of learning impact	0/3
Equity & inclusion	1/3
Transparency, ethics & data protection	2/3
Teacher capability & pedagogy	1/3
Scalability & sustainability	2/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-10-07

[SOLAS \(Ireland's Further Education and Training Authority\) with Microsoft Ireland and 16 Education and Training Boards](#) — accessed 2026-10-07

[SOLAS: AI Micro-Qualifications](#) — accessed 2026-10-07

[SOLAS launch announcement](#) — accessed 2026-10-07

[Education Awards: Government launches AI micro-qualifications](#) — accessed 2026-10-07

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