

GEES: Support for Learning and Teaching

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Outline

How is the HEA working with the Learning and Teaching community now?

How can your faculty, departments and staff get involved?



HEA: The way forward

Subject Centres have closed or are in transition

Support for Learning and Teaching continues via Discipline Leads in the restructured HEA

Building on the work of the subject centres, with new opportunities for cross-disciplinary collaboration



HEA Categories of work

- Academic practice development
- Teacher excellence
- Institutional strategy and change



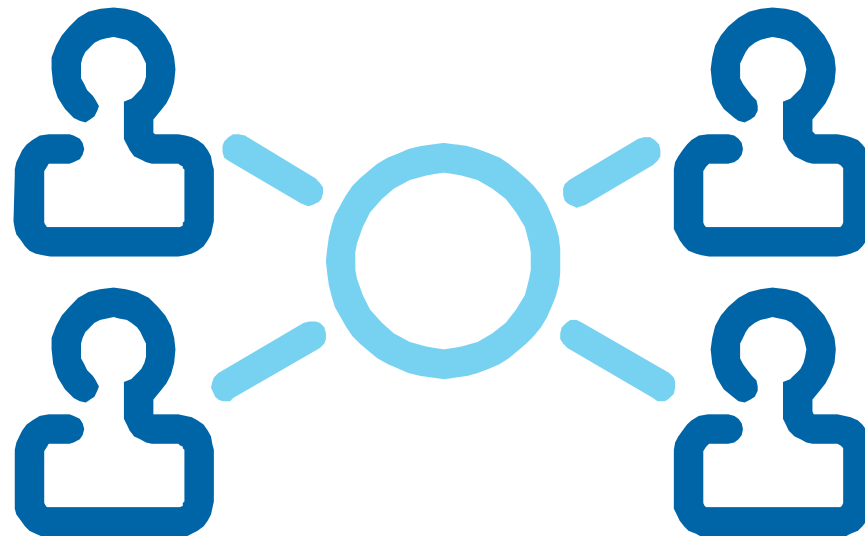
HEA Academic Practice



STEM



Health



Social Science



Arts &
Humanities



HEA STEM disciplines



- **GEES – Helen Walkington**
- **Maths, stats & OR – Mary McAlinden**
- **Computer science – Mark Ratcliffe**
- **Engineering and materials – Simon Steiner**
- **Built environment – Jane Kettle & Aled Williams**
- **Psychology – Julie Hulme**
- **Biosciences – Nathan Pike**
- **Physical sciences – Paul Yates**



HEA STEM Academic Services Team



■ Journals and grants

- ▶ Hazel White and Julie Peacock

■ Change and consultancy

- ▶ John Stockwell



■ Resources, seminars and events

- ▶ Karen Fraser



■ Management

- ▶ Joanne Masterson (STEM and Health Sciences)



Integrated thematic work

- Internationalisation
- Employability
- **Assessment and feedback**
- **Flexible learning**
- Retention and success
- Reward and recognition
- Education for sustainable development



Discipline Lead role

- Support teaching and learning in GEES departments
- Services and events - Sponsor and support discipline events
- Network with learned societies
- Promote inter-disciplinary work
- Online resource centre
- PLANET
- SIG's
- Produce papers/reports etc – inform community
- Maintain own teaching and research



How will HEA deliver support?

Combination of DL and other HEA staff with

Academic Associates register

See <http://www.heacademy.ac.uk/academic-associates>



Funding

HEA Teaching Development Grants £1.5M

<http://www.heacademy.ac.uk/funding#tdg>

HEA UK Travel Grants £40k

<http://www.heacademy.ac.uk/travel-fund>

HEA PhD Programme £150k

<http://www.heacademy.ac.uk/doctoral-programme>

HEA International Scholarships £160k

<http://www.heacademy.ac.uk/international-scholarship-scheme>



Teaching development grants

2012/13 Themes: ‘Assessment and Feedback’ and ‘Flexible learning’

Individual grants – up to £7000, with ring-fenced funding for new staff and FHEA

Call opens 18th May, closes 17th June 2012

Departmental grants – up to £30,000

Call opens 28th August, closes 30th September 2012

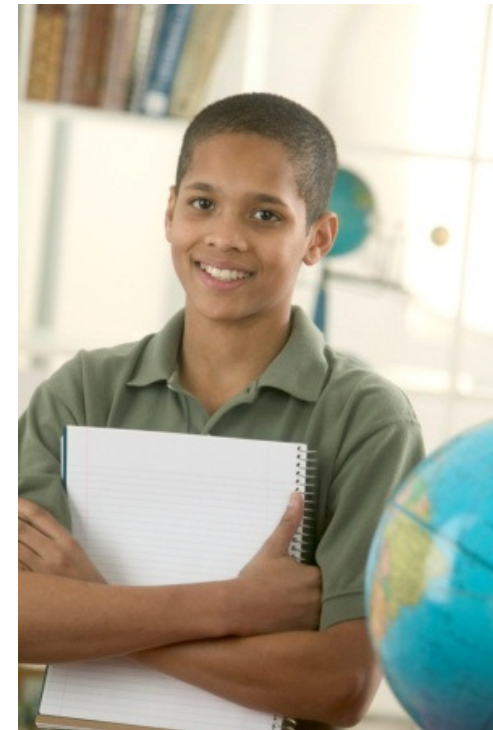
Collaborative grants – up to £60,000 cross institution and/or discipline

Call opens 7 January 2013, closes 3rd March 2013

UK Travel Grants

Up to £300 for individuals or
£500 for teams to attend UK
events with a learning and
teaching focus

Successful applicants will have a
strong rationale around
implementing departmental
change/dissemination



Doctoral studentships

Full time PhD studentships to investigate teaching and learning, in line with HEA themes.

Strong support for postgraduate research.



<http://www.heacademy.ac.uk/doctoral-programme>

International Scholarship Scheme



Up to £20,000 per individual to undertake scholarship internationally. Supports work abroad for 3- 6 months

Must align with HEA themes and there must be clear outputs – enhance student learning experience, and dissemination

See: <http://www.heacademy.ac.uk/international-scholarship-scheme>



Workshops/seminars

Ongoing call for discipline learning and teaching workshops
£1000 per event and up to £500 speaker expenses



Free GEES Workshops



3 May – ‘Building personal capacity for pedagogic research (PedR) in the GEES disciplines’, University of the West of England

21 May – ‘Teaching Energy Issues in GEES Disciplines’, University of Manchester

29 May – ‘Sharing best practices in 3D geological map and section techniques: Teaching Workshop’, University of Leeds

11 June – ‘ESD: Teaching frameworks and cross disciplinary lessons’, University of Plymouth

15 June - ‘Delivering career and employability development opportunities within undergraduate teaching in GEES’, University of Leicester

Events



28 June – ‘Conserve and Sustain: Habitat Restoration in the Yorkshire Dales – Learning and Teaching Perspectives’, Craven College, Skipton.

10 & 11 July – ‘Transforming departmental fieldwork practice workshop’ Hornton Grange, University of Birmingham

14 – 16 September - ‘Enhancing Fieldwork Learning Showcase’ Preston Montford Field Studies Centre, Shropshire.

Full listing bookmark:

<http://www.heacademy.ac.uk/events>

Engagement is key - How to be involved:



- As an Academic Associate
- Communicate with Discipline Lead and HEA
- Attend events, host events
- Suggest topics
- Use resources, suggest resources
- Apply for grants, scholarships, studentships

