

Heriot-Watt University Programme Directors Forum 2021-22

Programme Directors play a key role in setting the academic direction of programmes of study and providing academic leadership for their learning community of students and teaching team. The role also involves navigating a myriad of management and administrative requirements and establishing connections and collaborations across the university. For many Programme Directors, this involves working across campuses, harnessing the strengths of a diverse teaching team to deliver an excellent programme of study.

The Forum is your space to find the support you need as you develop your Programme Director role.

We look forward to seeing you at Forum events this year.

Get Involved

For 2021-22, the Programme Directors Forum is focusing on five key activities:

- **The Programme Directors Forum discussion series:** Joining these roundtable and sharing practice sessions will help you tackle practical challenges, build confidence in your role, and create connections across the university.
- **Developing The Programme Directors Toolbox:** Help us create a practical set of resources to support Programme Directors in their role, sharing hints and tips and practical tools.
- **Introducing Action Learning Sets:** Join a small group of colleagues to offer each other support and share practice.
- **Strengthening Global Teaching Teams:** An opportunity to share practice in creating strong, collaborative teaching teams, collating and sharing case studies and practical tips for success.
- **Shaping the Future of Learning & Teaching at Heriot-Watt:** As we move beyond pandemic working, we need to find space to pause, reflect and think forwards. The PD Forum will play a key role in conversations around strategic change in curriculum, assessment and teaching.

At a glance

The **Programme Directors Forum** is a space to share practice and learn from others. Throughout the year, the Forum meets to discuss key topics, connecting Programme Directors to colleagues across the university. The Forum focuses on building community, sharing successes, and offering practical support.

Key contacts

Keep up to date with events and discussion by joining the [Programme Directors Forum Teams channel](#).

To get involved in the Forum activities, including developing the Programme Directors Toolbox or the Strengthening Global Teaching Teams case studies, and join the PD Forum mailing list, please contact us at LTAcademy@hw.ac.uk

Forum Leads

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Programme Directors Forum Roundtable Events S2 2022

<p>24th January 2022 8-8.30am UK 12-12.30pm Dubai 4-4.30pm Malaysia</p> <p>Repeated on:</p> <p>27th January 12.30-1pm UK 4.30-5pm Dubai 8.30-9pm Malaysia</p>	<p>What could the Programme Director Action Learning Sets do for you?</p> <p>Join this informal session to find out more about the new Action Learning Sets for programme directors and to hear how peer-support can help you, whatever stage you are in your educational leadership journey.</p>
<p>28th February 9-10am UK 1-2pm Dubai 5-6pm Malaysia</p>	<p>The Programme Directors Guide to Registry and Academic Support</p> <p>An open conversation between PDs and colleagues in RAS, helping to build collaboration and the space to share insights into everyday practice. This builds on the conversations started in Semester 1.</p>
<p>15th March 8.30-9.30am UK 12.30-1.30pm Dubai 4.30-5.30pm Malaysia</p>	<p>Engaging Effectively with PSRBs: Sharing Practice</p> <p>An interactive session with the opportunity to discuss practice and share how you are working with your PSRB and other accrediting and professional groups.</p>
<p>29th March 9-10.30am UK 12-1.30pm Dubai 4-5.30pm Malaysia</p>	<p>Developing the Scholarship of Educational Leadership</p> <p>An interactive session to reflect on and amplify the educational leadership aspect of the Programme Director role and explore how to build scholarship and collaborative learning into our everyday practice.</p>
<p>28th April 9-10.30am UK 12-1.30pm Dubai 4-5.30pm Malaysia</p>	<p>Using Evidence for Enhancement: Supporting PDs to Engage with Programme Annual Monitoring & Enhancement Review</p> <p>A practical, interactive session to help Programme Directors reflect on their programmes and build an enhancement-focused approach to annual monitoring.</p>
<p>2nd June 9-10am UK 12-1pm Dubai 4-5pm Malaysia</p>	<p>The Programme Directors Guide to Marketing and Recruitment</p> <p>An open conversation between PDs and colleagues in MRAC, helping to build collaboration and creating space to share insights into everyday practice.</p>
<p>6th-8th June 2022</p>	<p>Heriot-Watt Learning and Teaching Week 2022 Including PD Forum Review of the Year and PD Social Event</p>

All Forum events are held online via Teams. They will be recorded and shared via the [Programme Leadership @HWU Teams Channel](#).

Further events may be developed in line with Forum members' interests. Join the Teams channel to follow updates.