

WHAT CAN THE LEARNING AND TEACHING ACADEMY DO FOR YOU?

The LTA offers a dynamic programme of support tailored to the diverse needs of our teaching community. We provide support and development to those taking their first steps into university teaching as well as opportunities for staff who have more experience in teaching, who may be leading academic programmes or learning and teaching initiatives.

We welcome participation from across our global community, with events and programmes open to all who teach or support student learning.

This overview highlights the core support for teaching, learning and educational leadership offered by the Learning and Teaching Academy.

Further details of these opportunities and dates of upcoming events are available on our sharepoint site:
heriotwatt.sharepoint.com/sites/lta

OPPORTUNITY	DETAILS	AUDIENCE	
Inspiring Teaching: Support & Resources for All	Learning and Teaching @HWU	This online sharing practice community* is open to everyone involved in learning and teaching across our Heriot-Watt community. It is an open space for sharing ideas, asking questions and discussing all aspects of teaching practice.	Open to all.
	Globally Connected Learning: A Practical Guide to HWU's Teaching Model	The Globally Connected Learning module is open to colleagues across Heriot-Watt University involved in teaching or supporting learning. The resource covers key topics in learning and teaching, offering guidance and examples to inspire you in your teaching practice.	Open to all.
	Inspiring Learning events series	Throughout the year, the LTA schedule online and on-campus, learning and teaching symposia, masterclasses, lectures and seminars. Feel free to join any sessions that spark your interest. Key events to save the date for include our Learning and Teaching Symposium (October), Inspiring Learning New Year Lecture (January) and Heriot-Watt Global Learning and Teaching Week (June). Find out more on the LTA Sharepoint Hub*	Open to all.
	The Teaching Lab: A Space to Create & Trial new Learning Activities	These peer supported sessions provide an opportunity to test/showcase teaching or new approaches to supporting learning. In these mutually supportive, feedback rich sessions, gain insights to advance your practice. These sessions are offered online and on-campus.	Open to all.
	Watt Works in Learning and Teaching resources	These practical guides cover key themes in learning and teaching including Assessment & Feedback, Digital Education, Active Learning, Wellbeing & the Curriculum, and Scholarship of Teaching and Learning. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore our Watt Works Guides*. • In At the Deep End at Heriot-Watt is our workbook for colleagues new to teaching (and is useful for all!). 	Open to all.

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Supporting Curriculum, Course and Assessment Design	Curriculum and Assessment Design Toolkit, Workshops and Consultancy	The Curriculum and Assessment Design Toolkit* provides resources to support curriculum and assessment review and development. The workshops (self-directed and facilitated) can support bold thinking about curriculum and programme development, whilst the consultancy provides practical support as you design specific courses, assessments and activities.
Tailored Support When you Need it Most	Welcome to Teaching @HWU	This self-study induction resource introduces all colleagues new to Heriot-Watt to our core teaching principles and practices. It provides useful signposting to key information and sources of support for learning and teaching. The self-study resources are supported by a regular Welcome to Teaching @HWU induction session available online and on campus locations. These sessions provide an opportunity to connect with colleagues across Heriot-Watt and learn more about the learning and teaching landscape and the support available to you, whatever stage you are in your career.
	In at the Deep End: First Steps into UniversityTeaching	This short programme is framed around our In At The Deep End resource and two live online collaborative workshops. It offers colleagues who are new to teaching in higher education practical support to get started with their teaching, learn the basics of session planning, and build confidence in classroom craft. General sessions are open to all colleagues. Sessions tailored to specific cohorts of staff are scheduled as required.
	Learning About Learning	Learning About Learning is a 15 credit postgraduate level course. Participants work collaboratively to develop as reflective higher education practitioners. Delivered fully online, Learning About Learning introduces learning and teaching theory and practice and offers opportunities to share your insights and practice with colleagues across the University. This course is the Heriot-Watt pathway to Associate Fellowship of the Higher Education Academy .

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<p>Post Graduate Certificate in Teaching and Learning</p>	<p>The Heriot-Watt Postgraduate Certificate in Teaching and Learning (PGCertTL) provides a foundation in learning and teaching theory and practice and a supportive springboard into the next stage of your teaching career.</p> <p>The PGCertTL comprises four courses:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course 1: 'Learning About Learning' • Course 2: 'Reframing feedback and assessment' • Course 3: 'Exploring learning spaces' • Course 4: 'Scholarly inquiry into teaching and learning' <p>This programme is the Heriot-Watt pathway to Fellowship of the Higher Education Academy.</p>	<p>This programme is designed for colleagues who undertake university teaching or who support teaching and learning as a substantive part of their work.</p>
<p>Technicians Who Teach Network</p>	<p>This guided network enables technicians who teach across all Schools to share practice and explore emerging themes in teaching and student support. The Network also offers tailored support for technicians who wish to explore pathways to Associate Fellowship of the HEA.</p>	<p>Technicians involved in teaching and supporting student learning.</p>
<p>Programme Directors Forum and Toolbox</p>	<p>The Programme Director's Forum* is a chance to share practice and learn from across the community. The Forum organises events each month focused on key themes related to the particular stage of the academic year. Forum members can join a Programme Director Action Learning Set to connect with colleagues across Schools and can share resources and examples of practice via the Programme Director's Toolbox*</p>	<p>Colleagues in Programme Director or Senior Programme Director roles.</p>

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Exploring and Innovating in Pedagogic Practice	Global Digital Pedagogies Hub	<p>The Global Digital Pedagogies Hub* is a space for discussion of digital pedagogies and practices. It provides guidance and support for staff to enhance their understanding of digital pedagogies and space to innovate and experiment with emerging technologies and pedagogies.</p> <p>Colleagues are invited to participate in discussions via the Teams site, join the monthly Digital Pedagogies Reading Group, and engage with the regular sharing practice sessions.</p>	Open to all.
	Assessment for Learning Special Interest Group	<p>Interested in shaping thinking and practice in assessment? The Special Interest Group brings together colleagues from across the university to deepen understanding of this key area. Activities include reading group, case study development and collaborative scholarly projects.</p>	Open to all.
Developing scholarship and enhancement activities	Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Special Interest Group	<p>Curious about SoTL? Interested in exploring and enhancing teaching practice and ensuring your learning impacts on the work of others? The Scholarship of Teaching and Learning SIG offers a supportive community and structured events to help you develop and progress you own scholarship activity.</p>	Open to all.
	Global Hub for Educational Leadership and Scholarship	<p>The Global Hub for Scholarship and Educational Leadership* is a university-wide community and hub of resources to inspire collaboration and discovery in the leadership of teaching & learning. It is a forum for supporting professional development, for celebrating successes, and for sharing ideas and practice. Take time to explore the site and join our community.</p>	
	HWU Scholarship and Enhancement Fund	<p>The HWU Scholarship and Enhancement Fund offers small grants to help teaching teams develop and embed innovation in pedagogic practice. Calls for participation will be advertised at key points in the academic year.</p>	Open to all.

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Developing Leadership in Learning & Teaching Enhancement	Professional Recognition of Educational Leadership	These supported paths to Senior or Principal Fellowship of the Higher Education Academy are designed to give you time, space and support to create your application. They consist of information and guidance sessions, writing retreats, feedback on drafts and access to a mentor to support you with your reflection on professional practice and writing your application.	Colleagues with significant experience of leading teaching or student support who can demonstrate impact at programme, School, institutional or sector level.
	Learning, Teaching and Educational Leadership Mini-Sabbaticals	Interested in leading on institutional projects or exploring aspects of teaching practice in more detail? The LTA can offer tailored learning, teaching and educational leadership mini-sabbaticals. These offer you dedicated time and support to develop a specific project from proposal to dissemination of findings and delivery of scholarly outputs.	Open to colleagues looking to extend their leadership of learning & teaching enhancement initiatives.

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