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# RESEARCH & SCHOLARSHIP SYMPOSIUM

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PROGRAMME



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8.45am – 9am Arrival and refreshments

**9.00am – 9.05am**  
**Welcome from Andy Berry,**  
**the Principal and Chief Executive**

**9.10am – 9.40am**

**Research in the real world – what does NHS**  
**Research involve and how does it change lives?**

**Libby Graham and Chris Levett**  
**Taunton and Somerset NHS Foundation Trust**

This presentation will showcase current research at Musgrove Park Hospital and demonstrate the personal, economic and societal impact of these studies. The presenters will explore how aspects of NHS research can be applied to other fields of research and identify mutual processes and methodology.

**9.45am – 10.00am**

**Trainee Nursing Associate pilot: Further**  
**Education colleges delivering nurse education**

**Laira Pearson**  
**Bridgwater & Taunton College**

Further Education colleges have been locked out of offering a Nursing degree for many years due to strict eligibility for Approved Educational Institution status by the Nursing & Midwifery Council. Shortages in the nursing workforce saw the introduction of a Nursing Associate pilot in 2017, enabling Bridgwater and Taunton College to work alongside employer stakeholders to get involved in nursing, which is traditionally only delivered by Higher Education Institutions (HEIs). This presentation will outline the pilot's challenges and successes, as well as giving an overview of future nursing ambitions for the University Centre Somerset.

**10.05am – 10.35am**

**Open access to scholarly outputs: what is it and**  
**what does it mean for publishing in the future?**

**Chris Keene**  
**JISC**

Open access (OA) means making research publications freely available so anyone can benefit from reading and using research. It has its roots in the birth of the web and the move to online publishing, and the opportunities this brings. How did it come about? What benefits does it bring? How does it work today? And what can we expect for the future?

10.40am – 11.00am  
**Break and networking: poster presentations**

**11.00am – 11.15am**

**Apprenticeships – are you joining the revolution?**

**Liz Redwood**  
**Bridgwater & Taunton College**

This session will provide an update on apprenticeships and employer activity, as well as share with colleagues how the HE landscape is changing with the increase of higher and degree apprenticeships.

**11.20am – 11.35am**

**Project 'Be the Change' - improving achievement**  
**of Construction, Automotive and Engineering**  
**(CAE) GCSE English Students**

**Jim Odams**  
**Bridgwater & Taunton College**

The aim of the project 'Be The Change' was to identify how we can improve GCSE English students' predictions, experience, resilience and attendance from last year within the Construction, Automotive and Engineering department (CAE) at Bridgwater and Taunton College. This involved creating resources to enhance the development of teaching, learning and assessment, focusing on supporting vocational CAE staff to embed GCSE English skills within their sessions, whilst minimising planning time and raising the awareness of the transferability of GCSE English skills into vocational subjects.

**11.40am – 11.55am**

**Reducing antibiotic use in agriculture**

**Ian Tremain**  
**Bridgwater & Taunton College**

The College runs a commercial dairy farm which promotes best practice in all areas of health and husbandry. We work closely with our partners and each year produce 3 million litres of liquid milk for Tesco. As part of Tesco's Research & Development commitment, we are exploring boosting animals' natural immunity by using techniques from the human and sports nutrition industries; the aim is to enhance gut health of young animals to boost health and resilience to reduce the total use of antibiotics in our system. This is supported by Tesco, our calf rearing partners Volac, with technical expertise supplied by WET (Water Enhancing Technologies).

12.00pm – 1.00pm  
**Lunch / networking and poster presentations**

**1.00pm – 1.30pm**

**Seeking the Holy Grail:**  
**researching in the FE and HE context**

**Prof Liz Browne**  
**Oxford Brookes University**

The presentation will attempt to identify why there is a desperate shortage of published research focused on the Further Education and Skills sector. Routes to publication will be identified and some very general advice offered on how to prepare a paper for publication. The session will offer some practical advice on how to develop an organisational research culture, with some 'easy wins' identified to foster a collegiate response to the publishing challenge.

**1.35pm – 1.50pm**

**Engaging in scholarship and critical reflection:**  
**your pathways to HEA Fellowship**

**Jolanta Peters**  
**Bridgwater & Taunton College**

Jolanta will share her recent experiences of applying for the HEA Fellowship. This presentation will focus on practical tips and advice on how to put together a critically reflective and coherent narrative of your professional practice that enhances teaching and learning in College-Based Higher Education. You will also gain an understanding of the UKPSF (UK Professional Standards Framework) descriptors and dimensions of practice, and the key criteria you need to meet in your application.

**1.55pm – 2.10pm**

**Working smart using Google Drive**

**Max Sauter**  
**Bridgwater & Taunton College**

Max will explore the use of Google Drive to work with his course team, partner universities and external examiners for sharing good practice and course documentation. Google Drive is a cloud-based storage facility that enables a number of authors to own and share documents. It enables the course team to work smarter and take greater ownership of course management and performance.

2.15pm – 2.45pm  
**Break / networking and poster presentations**

**2.50pm – 3.05pm**

**Black Mirror - the relationship between**  
**technology and wellbeing**

**Max Dalda Müller**  
**Bridgwater & Taunton College**

UK adults are increasingly living their lives through social media platforms spending an average of 8 hours 41 minutes a day on screens, more time than we spend sleeping. Recent socio-political events (Brexit, Trump, fake news) have highlighted the effect technology is having on our society. How is technology influencing how we feel about and see ourselves? How is it affecting our learners? What can we do to help or change?

**3.10pm – 3.25pm**

**A rationale for continuing and developing**  
**pan-European collaboration:**  
**a localised perspective.**

**Jamie Longmuir**  
**Bridgwater & Taunton College**

This presentation will provide a brief overview of Erasmus and specifically the PEAL project, which Jamie has been involved with over the past two years. It will also demonstrate where value-adding collaborations with the same European partners have been brought in to the Business Management degree programme, and future plans. It will highlight the features and benefits and describe the use of technology to facilitate such collaborations.

**3.30pm – 3.45pm**

**Working with industry in media make-up**

**Brodie Nichols**  
**Bridgwater & Taunton College**

Brodie's presentation will focus on how media make-up students' employability and subject-based skills are being enhanced through their engagement with industry.

3.50pm – 4.00pm CLOSE



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