

Graduate Communication Skills: High Impact Practices for Academic Program Leaders

2016 National Workshops



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Project overview

The aim of this national project is to identify high impact practices that strengthen evidence-based approaches for graduates' communication skills.

Why is this important?

Communication skills are the 'Achilles heel' of higher education, with concerns from employers and others about the quality of graduates. The outcomes of this project offer universities models of practice that work best to develop students' communication skills alongside their disciplinary knowledge.

WORKSHOP OVERVIEW

The 2016 series of workshops are targeted at Academic Program Leaders responsible for the development and demonstration of graduate level oral and written communication skills. The workshops are designed to disseminate the findings of the project **What works best: Strengthening the evidence base for oral and written communication skills** and to stimulate discussion around the demonstration of graduate communication skills for different programs. The workshops will identify high impact practices that are sustainable and scalable at the program level. Workshops are led by Associate Professor Sophie Arkoudis (The University of Melbourne) and Dr Anne Harris (Edith Cowan University) with input from colleagues at participating institutions.

WORKSHOP DETAILS

Each workshop is **three hours in length**. Participants are encouraged to bring insights and resources from their institution. The workshops do not assume prior preparation by participants or knowledge or experience of the project.

Each workshop is restricted to a maximum of 30 participants. Participants are responsible for their own travel and accommodation arrangements.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Teaching and Learning Leaders
- Disciplinary and Program Leaders

DATES AND REGISTRATION

Perth

Wednesday 5 October

10am – 1pm
Edith Cowan University

Brisbane

Friday 7 October

10am – 1pm
Queensland University of Technology (QUT)

Sydney

Monday 10 October

10am – 1pm
University of Technology, Sydney (UTS)

Melbourne

Wednesday 12 October

1pm – 4pm
The University of Melbourne

To attend a workshop please register online at <http://melbourne-cshe.unimelb.edu.au/what-works-best> by Thursday 29 September.

MORE INFORMATION

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