

Free workshop at the University of Cardiff: Enhancing the student experience – a cross-university dialogue

Date: Monday
17th October 2011
Time: 10:30am – 13:00pm
Tea and coffee from 10:15am

The Beacon for Wales invites you to an interactive, hands-on workshop with colleagues from universities across Wales and the South West, to learn from each other and develop creative solutions for 'enhancing the Student Experience'.

The university sector faces challenging times in the midst of budget cuts and gaps between student expectations and satisfaction with their learning experience. These challenges are likely to be exacerbated given the upcoming rise in student fees.

How can we maximise our time and effort to deliver more as budgets tighten and resources become ever more precious?

This workshop will be led by University of Manchester lecturer Dr. Joanne Tippett, who has successfully developed 'Ketso', a hands-on toolkit for effective engagement, into a spin-off company from her research.

The workshop offers an opportunity for participants to experience using Ketso for stimulating dialogue and group discussion.

About Ketso

Ketso allows people to share their ideas, to learn from each other and to make informed decisions. With its colourful, hands-on shapes, Ketso is accessible to all. Everyone can make an input, making effective use of people's time.

When everyone is engaged, we are more creative, productive and committed.

Ketso has been used in universities across the UK and beyond, for activities including: teaching and learning; student team projects; widening

participation; engaging with the public; research development and data gathering; team meetings and forward planning; skills development; and enterprise training.

Further methods workshop option

This event forms part of an all-day workshop looking at participatory research, called 'Participatory approaches to data gathering with Ketso'. If this interests you, you are welcome to join us for the full day. Both workshops are free. For more information and a link to the booking form please see: <http://ketso.com/news-events/upcoming-events/>, or contact us by phone or email (details below).

"We ran a couple of enterprise sessions last week, one for our Talent Pool and one for the undergraduate skills series. The latter had the best feedback of the series, and possibly of any Ketso event we've ever run. I have never seen a bunch of undergrads so animated on one of my courses. They were full of praise for Ketso."

Dan Corlett, Assistant Director (Entrepreneurship and Innovation) Careers and Employability Centre, University of Birmingham

"I like the fact it is so visual, you can really see your ideas and the links between them and other people's ideas. It helps to see that other people have similar ideas to you as well! I like the way you can move the ideas around, it makes it practical and is more inviting than a list."

Undergraduate student with dyslexia, University of Manchester

"The Ketso tool was helpful in terms of groupwork. The fact that it is moveable enabled us to 'mind map' our ideas and then revise and alter them as a group. It also enabled us to make connections better for the stages and aspects of the project."

Sussex DPhil student



Ketso®

a hands-on kit for creative groupwork



The venue for this event is:
Trevithick Building, Cardiff University,
Building Number 58 on this map:
<http://www.cardiff.ac.uk/locations/maps/map-e4.html>
See also **Google Maps**

This event is free for all. To register please go to:
<http://ketso.wufoo.com/forms/enhancing-the-student-experience-booking-form/>

Numbers are limited
please register by 30th September 2011

Please let us know when registering if you have a disability or special needs.

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