

# Association for Academic Outreach

## 2019 Conference

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Dear Delegate,

We are delighted that you will be joining us on the 27<sup>th</sup> April for the Association for Academic Outreach (AFAO) Conference. Please find enclosed further details to support your attendance. If you have any questions or are no longer able to attend please email [ssf.outreach@uea.ac.uk](mailto:ssf.outreach@uea.ac.uk).

Our committee and wider members are drawn from universities across the UK and Ireland. We are fortunate to be hosted at the University of Warwick this year and extend our gratitude to members who have made this possible. We look forward to welcoming you in Warwick and for those of you who will be travelling on the Friday, please do consider joining us for networking drinks and dinner? Further details on page 7.

As you will see the programme is a full and exciting one. To enable us to maximise time for presentations and questions, we ask that all speakers submit their presentations in advance to [ssf.outreach@uea.ac.uk](mailto:ssf.outreach@uea.ac.uk) to allow us to preload slides. Please ensure that your presentations reach us by the **19<sup>th</sup> April 2019**

Many thanks and we look forward to seeing you in April.

AFAO Conference Committee

## **About the Association for Academic Outreach**

Formed in 2018 by a group of academics from across the UK and coordinated by Matthew Johnson at Lancaster, the Association for Academic Outreach (AFAO) facilitates discussion, research, development and dissemination of outreach good practice by and for academics. Members, who share an active interest and engagement in outreach, are drawn from the natural sciences, social sciences, humanities and arts and every type of Higher Education institution, predominantly, though not exclusively, within the UK. At a time in which the reasons for engagement in outreach are pressing and expanding, the Association serves members by:

- Sharing examples of good practice through our online index of programmes of Continuing Professional Development, employability, public engagement, recruitment, subject and career promotion and Widening Participation
- Collating and disseminating information on funding for outreach activities
- Facilitating discussion of and rapid feedback on issues through our JISCMail list
- Promoting collaborative research co-authored by members on issues of importance to outreach
- Advocating policy on outreach through short policy papers
- Holding an annual conference at rolling locations in which good practice is shared and developed and research projects organised and disseminated

### **Interested in joining us?**

Membership is open to anyone sharing an interest in national and international higher education outreach policy and practice and its implications for practitioners, academics, students and their communities. 2018/9 membership is free and may be obtained by subscribing to our [JISCMail](#) list.

## Getting Here

The conference will be taking place in the [Oculus building \(click for interactive campus map\)](#) it is a 2 minute walk from the university's [bus station](#) and the nearest car park - car park 8, next to the Sports Centre, which is a multi-storey car park. Parking is free from 6pm weekdays and all weekend.

The postcode for central campus is CV4 7AL, follow signs for car park 8.

## Address

University of Warwick  
Coventry  
CV4 7AL  
UK



## **Public Transport**

Coventry Rail station is approximately 4 miles from campus. Taxis are available outside the station or to get the bus please follow the signs from the station to Warwick Road (a 2 minute walk) and from there catch the National Express 12X, which travels onto main campus.

Canley Rail Station (serviced by London Midland from Birmingham New Street) is 1.3 miles from campus and takes approximately 25 minutes to walk. Please note there is not a taxi rank at this station.

Taxi number: Trinity Taxis 02476 999 999

Further information about transport options may be found at the link below.

<https://warwick.ac.uk/about/visiting/directions/>

## **Accommodation**

Available onsite at a range of conference venues.

<https://warwick.ac.uk/services/conferences/spaces/bedrooms/>

Alternatively, we would advise delegates to arrange accommodation in the local towns of Kenilworth and Leamington, or in the City of Coventry.

## **Further Information**

Further information about visiting Warwick including an interactive campus map may be found by following the link below:

<https://warwick.ac.uk/about/visiting/>

## **Informal Networking/Social Event on Friday 26 April**

Please consider joining us for an informal get-together from 7pm on the Friday evening. A key purpose of the Association is to build networks across institutions and we really do value the relationships we foster at these events.

We plan to meet at the Dirty Duck on Campus, although we are awaiting confirmation from the venue, <https://www.warwicksu.com/thedirtyduck/home/>. Drinks and reasonably priced meals are available. Should there be any change to the pre-conference event we will update delegates and speakers.

## **Registration**

Registration will be open from 9:30am on the 27<sup>th</sup> April and will take place inside the main entrance to the Oculus building.

### **Wi-Fi**

Unlimited free Wi-Fi will be available for all delegates through the conference. A username and password will be available at the registration desk. You can also use Eduroam if you know your own institution's login for this network.

### **Refreshments**

Lunch and break-time refreshments will be provided for delegates in the Oculus Building. Please let us know of any dietary requirements. These will mostly be served on the ground floor, except for during the brief comfort breaks between sessions, when tea, coffee, and water will be available on Floor 1 near the presentation room.

### **Luggage**

Provision will be made to store luggage in the conference venue. Please request this facility upon registration.

### **Toilet Facilities**

Available near the registration desk in the Oculus building, locations marked on interactive campus map.

### **Cash Machines**

There is a cash machine located in the Students Union building on central campus a few minutes' walk from the Oculus. There is also a Costa Coffee nearby and a Costcutter.

## Programme

Time	Presentation	Speaker
09.00	Registration and coffee	
09.50	Welcome and housekeeping	Matthew Johnson and Jane Bryan
10.00	Introduction to session 1: Embedding HE in communities	Chair: Angela O'Sullivan
10.05	Community Engaged Universities: approaches and context <i>(15 min +5 min for questions)</i>	Séamus Ó Tuama <b>University College Cork</b>
10.25	Considering the impact of academic outreach with the participants of a participatory research project in a disadvantaged area <i>(15 min +5 min for questions)</i>	Siobhán O'Sullivan Cathal O'Connell <b>University College Cork</b>
10.45	Post-truth politics and public trust: how can universities regain legitimacy in the public sphere? <i>(15 min +5 min for questions)</i>	Anil Awesti Jim Judges <b>University of Warwick</b>
11.05	Introduction to Session 2: Inequality and mobility	Chair: Matthew Johnson
11.10	Rethinking Disadvantage: A social capital approach to Widening Participation <i>(15 min +5 min for questions)</i>	Guillermo Alonso Gareth Bowden <b>Lancaster University</b>
11.30	Do Cultural Capital, Habitus or contextual sources of Social Capital in addition to school attended affect progression into HE? <i>(15 min +5 min for questions)</i>	Jack Whybrow <b>UEA</b>
11.50	Writing Wrongs Schools Programme <i>(15 min + 5 min for questions)</i>	James Harrison Becca Kirk <b>University of Warwick</b>
12.10	Lunch	
13.00	Introduction to Session 3: Widening Participation and Recruitment:	Chair: Matthew Johnson
13.05	Reach Out for Outreach <i>(15 min +5 min for questions)</i>	Angela O'Sullivan <b>De Montfort Univeristy</b>
13.25	Outreach at Coventry: Enhancement of Coventry University students' experience through integration with the local community <i>(15 min +5 min for questions)</i>	Sharon Williams <b>Coventry University</b>



13.45	Blurred boundaries: Encouraging greater dialogue between student recruitment and widening participation <i>(15 min +5 min for questions)</i>	Chris Bayes <b>Lancaster University</b>
14.05	Introduction to Session 4: Employability and progression	Chair: Emily Danvers
14.10	Students as co-creators <i>(5 min lightening paper + 5 min for questions)</i>	Kristina Garner <b>UEA</b>
14.20	Enhancing Student Success Through Self-Assessment and Self-Efficacy Beliefs <i>(15 min +5 min for questions)</i>	Fabio R Aricò <b>UEA</b>
14.40	Incorporating outreach into practice through curriculum design: perspectives from Initial Teacher Education <i>(15 min +5 min for questions)</i>	Will Haywood <b>University of Warwick</b>
15.00	Coffee	
15.15	Introduction to Session 5: Public science	Chair: Séamus Ó Tuama
15:20	Parents in Control: the Extreme Citizen Science of Parenting Science Gang <i>(45 minute workshop)</i>	Tamasin Greenough Graham Claire Lucas Sophie Payne-Gifford <b>University of Hertfordshire</b>
16:05	Our experience with national and international outreach and engagement for #wormsinspace <i>(15 min + 5 min for questions)</i>	Colleen Deane Christopher Gaffney Timothy Etheridge Nathaniel Szewczyk Bethan Phillips <b>University of Exeter</b>
16:25	Reaching out to the hard-to-reach: a mixed-methods analysis of a pilot Welsh STEM engagement project <i>(15 min + 5 min for questions)</i>	Rachel Bryana Mary Gagen Will Bryana <b>Swansea University</b>
16:45	Close	Matthew Johnson