

Programme – Day 1, Wednesday 24 May

- 10.00 - 10.30 Arrival and Registration with refreshments
- 10.30 - 11.00 Icebreaker
- 11.00 - 11.45 **PLENARY 1 – Deaf Awareness in Higher Education**
Sandra Boyle, City of Glasgow College and University of Glasgow
- 11.45 - 12.45 Workshop 1

Option 1: Qualifications Update: SQA Next Gen and T Levels

There have been significant changes to qualifications across the UK in recent years. We will be joined by experts in SQA Next Gen HN qualifications and vocational T Levels to allow practitioners to learn more about these qualifications, and how universities can support students undertaking these curriculums.

Option 2: Y I don't give an F anymore: A personal journey in resilience

Keir Robinson, University of Edinburgh

Everyone struggles, right? Everyone has challenges, the world sucks, right? Having a happier life doesn't hinge on turning lemons into lemonade, but on learning to stomach lemons better. In this workshop we will explore what resilience means and how I have used two specific resources that have helped me overcome my challenges. As you may tell from the title, this workshop will have some swear words in it – it is unavoidable. If the F bomb offends you, then probably best to sit this one out... they drop frequently!

- 12.45 – 13.45 Lunch
- 13.45 - 14.30 **PLENARY 2 – Teachers' Panel**
- 14.30 - 15.15 Roundtable Discussions
- 15.15 – 15.30 Refreshments
- 15.30 – 16.30 Workshop 2

Option 1: Postgraduate Recruitment Panel: Meet the Postgraduate Experts

Mark Bennett, FindAMasters; Emma Price, University of Keele; Student Awards Agency Scotland

Delve into the challenges and opportunities surrounding Postgraduate Student Recruitment in 2023. Hear from a range of experts in Postgraduate recruitment while we discuss key trends and insights in to this diverse and varied market. An interactive Q&A panel where you can bring your own questions to put to our speakers.

Option 2: Opportunities within SHELOA and how the organisation can work for you

This workshop is an opportunity to learn about the remits of HELOA Scotland committee representatives. This will include group-based discussion to identify how the organisation can continue to benefits its members.

- 16.30 Conference Close

Evening - Conference Dinner, Vittoria's on the Bridge, Edinburgh

Programme – Day 2, Thursday 25 May

09.30 - 09.45 Arrival and Registration with refreshments

09.45 - 10.30 PLENARY 3 – **HELOA UK Update**
Reena Kaur, HELOA UK Chair

10.30 - 11.30 Workshop 3

Option 1: Widening Access/Participation in Scotland Roundtables

What does widening access & participation look like in Scotland in 2023? Staff from various roles across widening participation teams and projects will each chair a roundtable, where all are invited to discuss issues and best practice, whether you currently work in a widening access role or simply have an interest in learning more.

Looking after your Career

Charlotte Beck

We spend our days helping others get into their desired course and helping them plan their future careers – but what about yours? In this session, hear from a past recruiter who has stepped away from the beige sandwiches and purple palaces, and into the world of Careers Guidance. We will take some time to think about your future career plan and how you might get there. We will touch on progression routes in your current role and options linked to your skillset, and help you to make a plan for short and long term goals. We don't have 'careers for life' anymore, so let's think about your next step in the short or long term. (This will be an open and honest session under Chatham House rules.)

11.30 - 12.30 Workshop 4

Student Ambassador Panel

This workshop is an opportunity to pick the brains of a panel of current students studying across a variety of member institutions. There will be an opportunity to submit questions for the panel both in advance of this session and on the day.

Storytelling in Student Recruitment

The session will approach the use of story-telling as a means of communicating key student recruitment messages to relevant audiences (i.e. prospective students, offer-holders, teachers and advisers).

12.30 Conference close

12.30 – 13.30 Lunch

13.30 – 15:30 HELOA Scotland meeting

16:00 Post conference drinks/quiz