Exploring promotion and curriculum vitae enhancement and discussing the implementation of an e-mentoring scheme in the biosciences

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Welcome

- HEA Biosciences Subject Centre Bioscience Representatives Fund.
- Discussion and sharing of experiences.
- Mentorship schemes draft doc

Purpose

- Understanding of the different career routes and criteria for promotion across different Higher Education institutions.
- Success in teaching award applications
- T&S CV enhancement
- Views/requirements on national mentoring scheme for the biosciences.

Reward and Recognition of teaching in Higher Education

HEA study on status of teaching in HE

92% believed that teaching should be an important criterion in promotion

43% believed that it really was

Teaching significant & explicit component L to SL promotion

24% Russell Group

24% 1994 Group

49% New Universities

"In my opinion, teaching-only staff should be confined to institutions engaged in secondary education not tertiary education".

"Stop state cash for PhDs outside elite institutions, says 1994 Group"

Introductions & icebreaker!

Session 1

 Institution guidelines for promotion on teaching & scholarship focused career paths versus teaching & research contracts.

Criteria

Separate strands?

Relative relevance placed on teaching & scholarship

Ease of promotion via different routes- bias, achievable, particularly at higher levels?

Nature of Institution

Personal experiences- committee loading?

Key or essential criteria

Session 2

 Benefits of Getting an institutional teaching fellowship, or award and how to do it.

Institutional awards?

Analyse institutional & Ed Wood applications What is required- the good & bad points

- Construct your own application
- Feedback

Session 3 Enhancement of your C.V

- Do something for your School
- Do something for your University
- Do something nationally for your subject
- Do something internationally for your subject

Questions for Discussion:

Do you currently do work which could fit into these levels? If not, could you identify possible ways in which this could be achieved?

"How to go about it" list

Mentoring Schemes

Discussion points:

- 1. Would you use a mentoring scheme
- 2. Do you currently have a T&S mentor- does it work?
- 3. What areas would you like to be mentored in?
- 4. What would you hope to achieve from mentorship?
- 5. What format would best suit for a national mentorship scheme? (eg e-mentoring, face-to-face, workshop ect)

Comments & Feedback?

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