

Research-based education using assessments directed at an audience

Dates: 20th & 21st November 2017

Room 018 (Ground Floor), Social Facilities Centre-07 (K0A07), UCY Campus.

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Topics addressed:

- Innovative teaching
- Formative assessment
- Work-related learning and employability
- Assessment as a mechanism for self-assessment in the context of students selecting work for presentation.
- Case studies/examples of how universities have used assessments directed at an audience as a means of formative assessment, and how it can improve course design.

Monday 20th November 2017

09:30-10:00 Registration and Coffee (meet our facilitator)

10:00-11:00 LECTURE: The lecture will look at outstanding examples of assessments that are directed at an audience, and explain what makes this model of learning so effective.

Discussion, Q&A

11:00-11:30 coffee break

11:30-13:30 SEMINAR: In a follow-up seminar, we will ask why outward-facing assessments may or may not feature in the 'signature pedagogies' of different academic disciplines, and we will draw up suggestions about what can be learned from different subjects where this practice is already well embedded. We will see how assessments directed at an audience place more emphasis on the student to evaluate their own work and explain its significance, rather than passively submit it to the tutor for judgment.

Tuesday 21st November 2017

09:45-10:00 Registration and Coffee

10:00-12:00 WORKSHOP: This interactive workshop will use a new model of curriculum design called Arena ABC to brainstorm different ideas for 'assessments directed at an audience' and identify ways to help embed these assessments in degree programmes. There's a focus on digital technologies and the ways they can enable learning activities.

Notes:

Arena ABC (Arena Blended and Connected) is a curriculum design workshop developed at UCL in 2015 from a HEFCE-funded project, and is based on the work of Diana Laurillard at UCL Institute of Education. The ABC team have facilitated workshops in many universities in Europe, as well as North and South America, the Middle East, and Australia. See <https://www.ucl.ac.uk/teaching-learning/news/2017/mar/are-you-redesigning-programme-let-arena-centre-and-digital-education-help> for more details.

Online registrations: <http://ucy.ac.cy/kedima-instructors>