

Engage  
Academy  
Changing  
Perspectives



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“Deepened my knowledge,  
raised my confidence,  
facilitated a valuable  
network and definitely  
enhanced my  
career prospects.”

2016/17 Academy participant

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## NCCPE Engage Academy

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Professional  
development  
for engagement  
staff, realising  
their potential as  
change agents

Designed and run by the NCCPE, the Engage Academy is a year-long professional development programme for those working to embed high quality engagement with research in their institution. The programme creates a challenging but supportive environment for delegates to reflect upon how engagement is supported within their context; it also equips participants with the knowledge and skills to take a strategic approach to challenges in order to effect culture change.

The Engage Academy cohort meets in Bristol for three two-day sessions that explore the role of PURPOSE, PROCESS and PEOPLE in underpinning engagement excellence. Each meeting offers a stimulating mix of presentations led by individuals prominent within the engagement, funding and policy communities; practical workshops; debate and discussion; and opportunities for peer-supported learning. Mentors with expertise in public engagement strategy, culture change, evaluation, and community engagement are available to provide one-to-one support.

Participants in the Engage Academy benefit from the opportunity to:

- **Enrich their understanding of the wider engagement landscape** –including the history; national context; and current and future drivers for engagement, such as the impact agenda
- **Enhance their knowledge, skills and confidence**
- **Develop a working plan to overcome key challenges within their context**
- **Join a peer support group and active alumni network with people from across the country**



**“The peer support, mentors and NCCPE team have provided incredible support, to the point where I honestly don’t think I would still be doing my role without it!”**

2017/18 Academy participant



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The National Co-ordinating Centre for Public Engagement (NCCPE) is internationally recognised for its work supporting and inspiring universities to engage with the public. We work to change perspectives, promote innovation, and nurture and celebrate excellence. We also champion meaningful engagement that makes a real and valued difference to people's lives.

The NCCPE is supported by UK Research and Innovation, the devolved Higher Education funding bodies and Wellcome, and has been hosted by the University of Bristol and the University of the West of England since it was established in 2008.

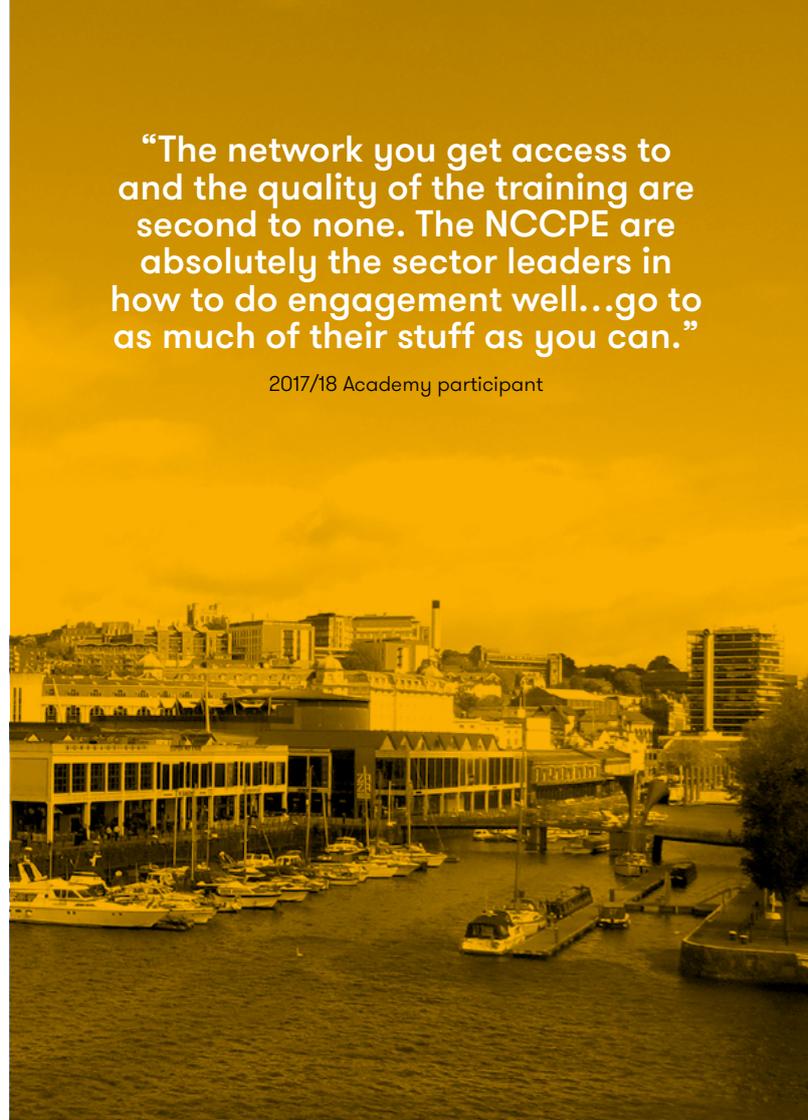
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**“The network you get access to and the quality of the training are second to none. The NCCPE are absolutely the sector leaders in how to do engagement well...go to as much of their stuff as you can.”**

2017/18 Academy participant





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