Engage Researchers’ Academy
Making an Impact

National Co-ordinating Centre for Public Engagement
The Engage Researchers’ Academy is a year long professional development programme for researchers with a passion for public engagement. The programme creates a challenging but supportive environment for delegates to reflect upon the role of public engagement within research; how to develop quality engagement, and assess its value; and what it means to be an engaged researcher. It also supports participants to develop the skills and experience to work with others and improve the impact and relevance of their research.

“We want to build a network of engaged research leaders across the UK, who are advocates for the value of high quality public engagement.”

Sophie Duncan, Deputy Director, NCCPE
The Engage Researchers’ Academy cohort will meet in Bristol for three two-day sessions. Academy one focuses on Why Engage, Academy two explores Engaged Leadership, and Academy three looks at Realising Value.

Each academy session offers a stimulating mix of presentations led by engaged academics, research funders and policy makers; practical workshops; debate and discussion; opportunities to share expertise and practice your skills; and peer-supported learning. Mentors with expertise in public engagement with research, impact, evaluation, and community engagement will provide one-to-one support.

Participants in the Researchers’ Academy benefit from the opportunity to:

- Enhance their knowledge, skills and confidence to become leaders in engaged research
- Access the latest thinking and analysis about how to capture the value of public engagement in the context of the REF
- Improve their practice by experimenting with innovative tools and techniques in our Masterclasses
- Join a peer support group and active alumni network with people from across a wide range of disciplines

“Access the latest thinking and analysis about how to capture the value of public engagement in the context of REF 2021.”
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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.

For the latest Engage Researchers’ Academy dates and fees, please visit our website.

www.publicengagement.ac.uk/researchers-academy

“An opportunity to take time out and a step back from the daily pressure of work, to reflect on your direction of travel, what you want to achieve, what will and won’t work...and to benefit from all the experience and different approaches that others have...to be challenged, but also affirmed.”

Feedback on the Engage Academy, 2015/16
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