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Inspiring and incentivising professional development at CCT College Dublin: a multi-pronged approach

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Context



- » Established 2005
- » Business & ICT programmes
- » Approx. 1,000 students
- » Re-engagement 2018



Strong Commitment to PD at CCT



"Continue to support the professional development of our staff through mentoring, network training initiatives, development opportunities, education events, and career support."



CCT College Dublin

Strategic Plan 2018 - 2020

Institution Strategy

Examples of PD at CCT Over the Last Ten Years



- •Hosting of events (HECA Annual Conference, ICEP Conference and others)
- ■Committee membership (HECA, Council of the Library Association of Ireland etc.)
- Sponsorship of attendance at conferences including overseas conferences (ACM, IFLA etc.)
- Sponsorship of Masters, PhDs, certifications
- Validation and accreditation panel participation
- National Forum (Pilot participation, Associates)
- •Committee membership (HECA etc.)
- Sponsorship of Conferences (Women in Tech etc.)

National Forum's National Professional Development Framework 2016



Table 1: Typolo	gy of Pro	fessional Dev	elopment Activitie	15
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Non-Accredited			
1. Collaborative Non-accredited (informal) ⁴	2. Unstructured Non-accredited (non-formal) ⁴	3. Structured Non-accredited (non-formal)	4. Accredited (formal) ⁴
Learning from these activities comes from their collaborative nature	These activities are independently led by the individual. Engagement is driven by the individual's needs/interests. Individuals source the material themselves	Organised activities (by an institution, network or disciplinary membership body). They are typically facilitated and have identified learning objectives	Accredited programmes of study (ECTS or similar credits)
Examples – Conversations with colleagues, peer networking, peer observations, online blogs/discussion forums	Examples - Reading articles, following social media, self-study, watching video tutorials, keeping a reflective teaching journal/portfolio, preparing an article for publication	Examples - Workshops, seminars, MOOCs, conferences, summer schools, structured collaborative projects	Examples - Professional Certificate, Graduate Diploma, Masters, PhD, EdD in: Teaching and Learning, eLearning, Leadership in Education; Education Policy

Recent Developments



- » Structural change
- » Broadening staff perceptions in relation to PD
- » On-going reduction or removal of barriers
- » Digital platforms for showcasing PD outputs
- » More cross disciplinary PD activity

The PD model is that there is no model!





What PD at CCT is not:

OA fixed, prescribed and branded model

How PD at CCT is evolving:

- Structural shift
- Organic evolution
- Influenced by multiple theories, approaches priorities and feedback
- Developed in partnership with staff
- oLearner centric
- Impact focused

Attributes of PD at CCT College





Active and Flexible Learning Culture



Connected and Contextualised



Open and Transparent



Impact Focused

1. Active and Flexible Learning Environment



- ✓ Increased investment New staff appointments to build on the commitment to PD at CCT. Investment in world class digital platforms to showcase PD output.
- ✓ More diverse range of PD offered in a variety of formats (online, face to face, onsite etc.)

CCT: A Learning Organisation



"A learning organization is an organization skilled at creating, acquiring, and transferring knowledge, and at modifying its behavior to reflect new knowledge and insights."

(Garvin, Edmonson and Gino 2008)

https://hbr.org/2008/03/is-yours-a-learning-organization

Building Blocks of The Learning Organisation

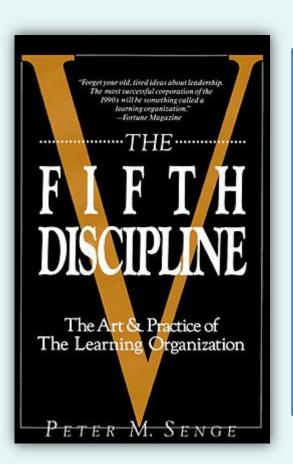


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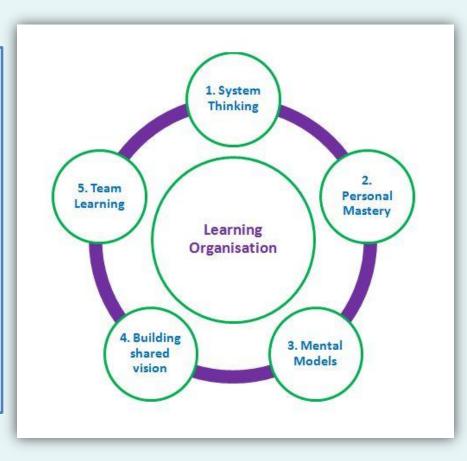
1. Supportive Learning Environment	2. Concrete learning processes and practices	3. Leadership that reinforces learning
Psychological safety	Widely distributed activities	Leaders actively question and listen to employees—and thereby prompt dialogue and debate
Appreciation of differences	Experimentation	Employees feel confident in offering new ideas and options.
Openness to new ideas	Analysis and interpretation to solve problems	Leaders signal the importance of spending time on problem identification, reflection and knowledge transfer.
Time for reflection	Systematic dissemination of knowledge (internally and externally)	Staff feel encouraged to learn and are offered a variety of learning opportunities at all levels across all departments of the organisation.

Learning Organisations: PM Senge





"organizations where people continually expand their capacity to create the results they truly desire, where new and expansive patterns of thinking are nurtured, where collective aspiration is set free, and where people are continually learning to see the whole together."



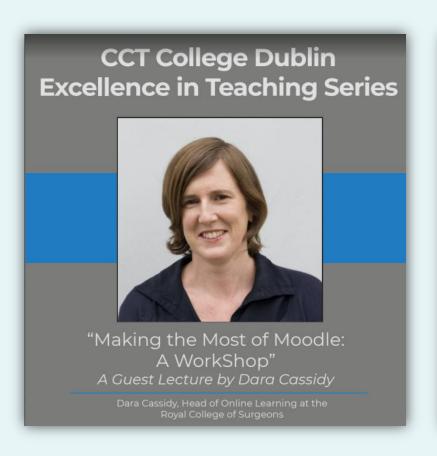


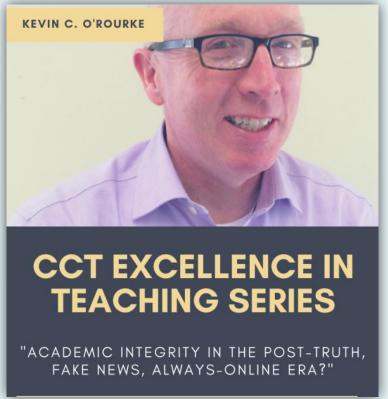
The expansion of active and flexible learning opportunities at CCT (some examples)

New 2019: CCT Excellence in Teaching Lecture Series (on-site)



- » New threats in relation to academic integrity (fake news, essay mills)
- » Harvesting all of the features in Moodle (HP5 multimedia, progress tracker)

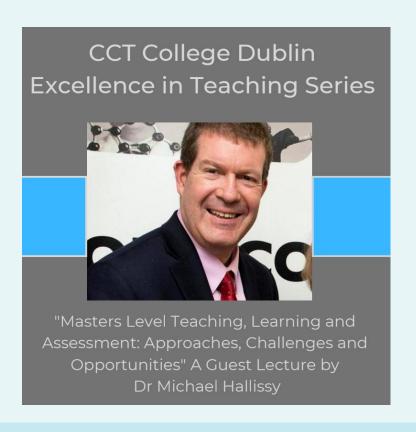


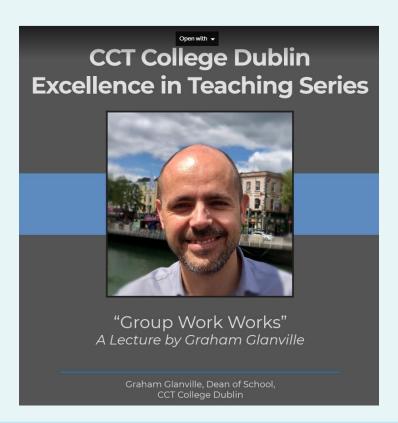


CCT Excellence in Teaching Lecture Series



- » Teaching at Masters level in preparation of our expansion to level 9 master programmes
- » The use of social learning as a pedagogical approach throughout the semester and not just in relation to group work





New 2019: CCT Certificate in Teaching and Learning



1. Strategic Developments HE

Dr Terry Maguire National Forum

4. Learning Theories

Graham Glanville CCT

7. Assessment Design

Dr Fiona O' Riordan, DCU

10. Technology Enhanced Learning

Dara Cassidy RCSI

2. National PD Framework/Reflective Practice

Marie O' Neill CCT, Robert Mckenna Griffith

5. Innovative Pedagogies

Graham Glanville CCT

8. Learning Analytics

Dr Pauline Gray, TU Dublin

11. Programme and Module Design

Graham Glanville CCT

Mark Morrissey CCT

3. E-Portfolio

Dr Orna Farrell DCU

6. Student Centred Learning

Graham Glanville CCT

9. Teacher as Researcher

Dr Brett Becker UCD Kelvin Martins CCT

12. Poster Exhibition

Graham Glanville CCT
Marie O' Neill CCT

CCT Cert incorporates National Forum digital badge on Teaching Strategies for (New) Lecturers. Cert offered onsite. Flexible delivery structured around lecturers' teaching schedules and institutional commitments.



QQI

Certificate in Teaching and Learning at CCT



Awareness of PD Activities/Resources







Assessment Design



Technology Enhanced Le...



Pedagogical Innovation



Programme Design



Academic Integrity Reso...



National PD Framework





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Excellence in Teaching Se...



CCT Cert in Teaching and ...





Learning Analytics



New: T&L Resource Page on CCT Moodle

New: Monthly PD Bulletin

Flexible delivery: Undertaking of More Digital Badges at CCT





Greg South,

Student Success Lead

Completed PACT Badge



Marie O' Neill, **Head of Enhancement**Completed **PACT** Badge

including **Facilitator** badge



Ken Healy
Schools Manager
Commencing Programme Focused
Assessment Badge

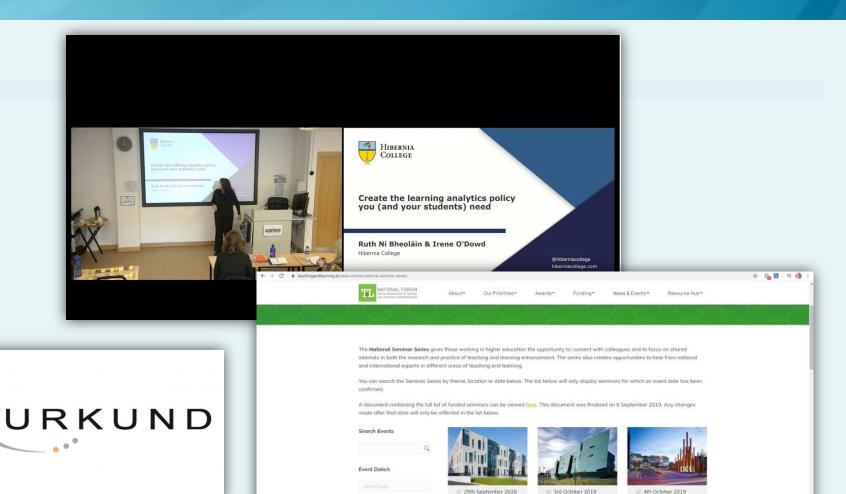


Naomi Jackson

Dean of Academic Affairs
Completed PACT Badge.
Facilitator Teaching
Strategies Badge

Promotion of PD: Live Streaming and Webinars QQI





Technological Disruptions

Should Legal Educators

View Event-

Teaching and Learning

☐ Enhancement Within and Across

Imagining the Future of

Community of Practice

Practical Comparative Judgment for Formative

2. Connected and Contextualised



- ✓ Stronger focus on peer dialogue and networking
- ✓ The forging of new and exciting peer partnerships nationally and internationally to contribute to PD activity in the sector
- ✓ Intensification of commitment to various communities of practice
- ✓ Student partnership
- ✓ PD continues to be Informed by key reports, research and developments in higher education

Professional Development: Peer Input and Dialogue 2019/20























National Student Engagement Programme

Clár Rannpháirtíochta Náisiúnta na Mac Léinn

New Peer Partnerships Contributing to PD in the Sector (Student Quality Assurance Reviewers Pool)











NStEP hosts first ever 'Student Leaders in Quality' national training event

This week the National Student Engagement Programme (NStEP) hosted the 'Student Leaders in Quality' training event, at which the national Student Trainers Pool and a large group of Student Quality Assurance Reviewers were trained up for their new roles - a first for the Irish Higher Education sector!

Here at NStEP we live by the rule that students are experts in their own learning, giving them the expertise and insight to engage in quality enhancement, governance, and student representation. Our new Student Leaders in Quality event brought together two groups of student experts to train them up so that they could unlock that potential!

Student Quality Assurance Reviewers Pool

The Student QA Reviewers Pool is a joint collaboration between Quality and Qualifications Ireland (QQI) and the Union of Students in Ireland (USI), with the aim of recruiting and supporting students to be involved in quality assurance review panels across the Irish Higher Education sector. NStEP has supported the Pool since



The QA Reviewers and the Student Trainers spent the morning together to learn about the Principles of Student Engagement and how they relate to quality assurance and enhancement. In mixed groups they



Peer Partnerships: National facilitation of the PACT badge



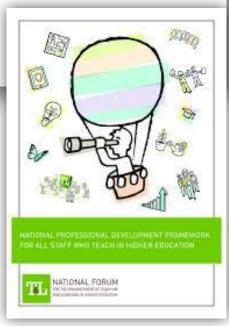
We are delighted to announce that CCT and WIT are teaming up in partnership with the National Forum for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning in Higher Education to facilitate the Digital Badge for PACT in a **fully online format** this Autumn/Winter. This course was developed by the National Forum as part of the Forum's open courses initiative. **The course will run for 6 weeks from Nov 5th 2019** and will provide participants with a strong introduction to the Professional Development Framework for all who teach

Registration closes Friday, 1 November 2019

Click here for more information including online registration

https://opencourses.teachingandlearning.ie/open_course/getting-started-with-professional-development-pact/





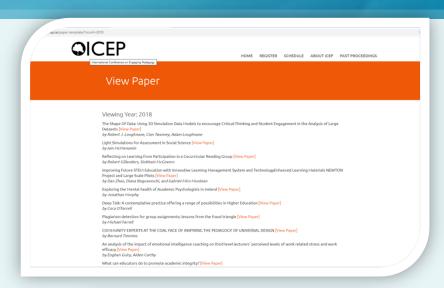
Contributing to PD Initiatives in the Sector: Other Examples





CCT member of staff was one of the reviewers for submissions

World Library Congress 2020
Dublin Convention Centre
CCT is on the organising
committee. 4000 delegates
attend this event anually.

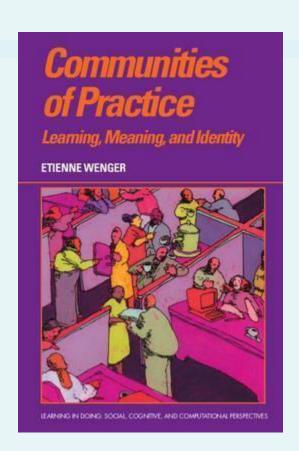




Communities of Practice



- ☐ Shared domain of interest
- ☐ Engage in joint activities and interests
- ☐ They are practice focused develop tools etc.
- □ Examples PACT, NF Student
 Success Advisory Group, Digital
 Commons, Library Publishing,
 Quality and more.



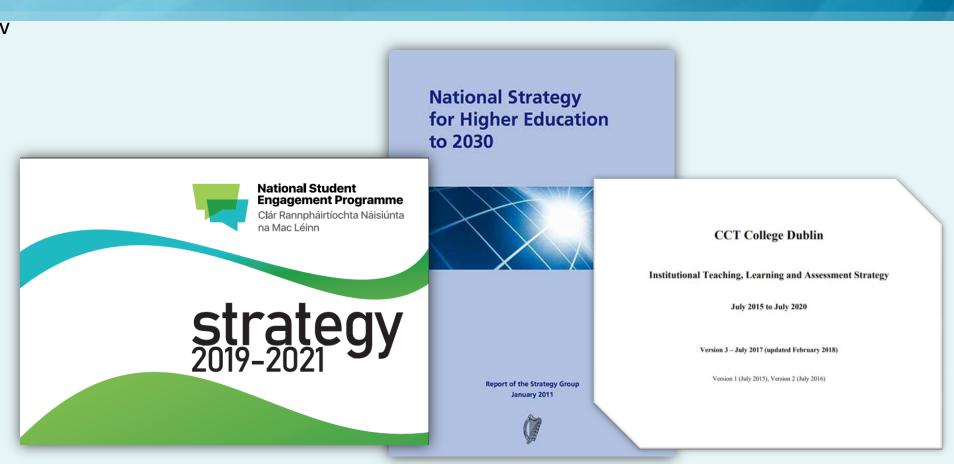
Contextualisation: Inaugural lecture of the CCT Certificate in Teaching and Learning





Contextualisation: Key Publications

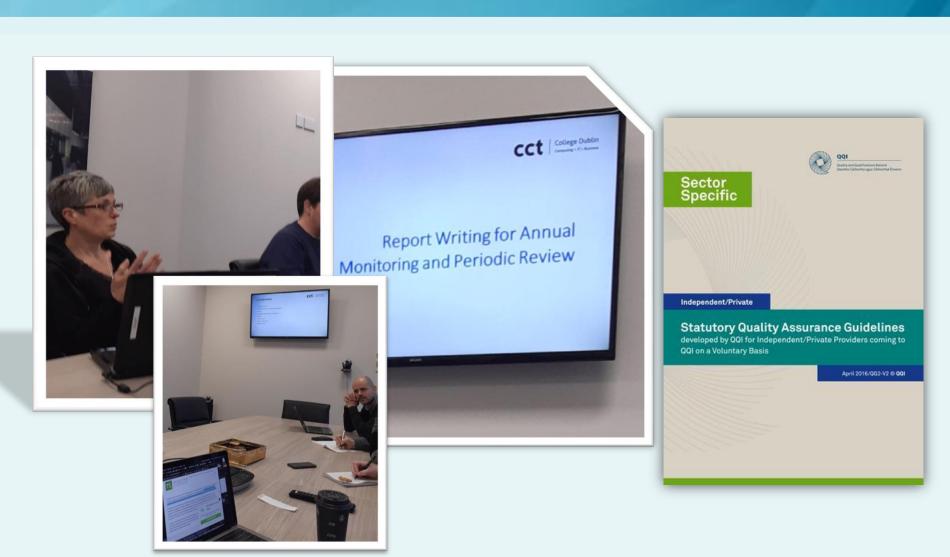




http://www.cct.ie/wp-content/uploads/Teaching-Learning-and-Assessment-Strategy-2018.pdf

CCT Workshops: Example-Evaluative Report Writing

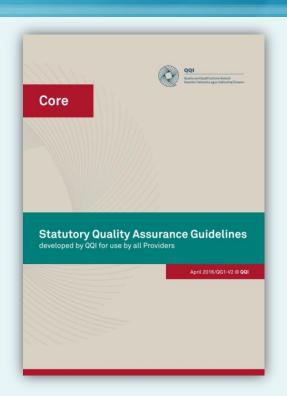




3. Open and Transparent



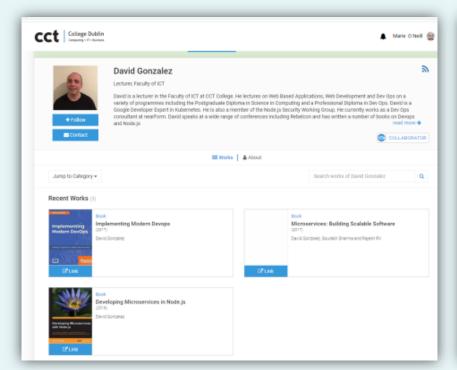
"The provider assures itself as to the competence of its staff. There is a systematic approach to the fair and transparent Recruitment and further professional development of people engaged in programme and service delivery."

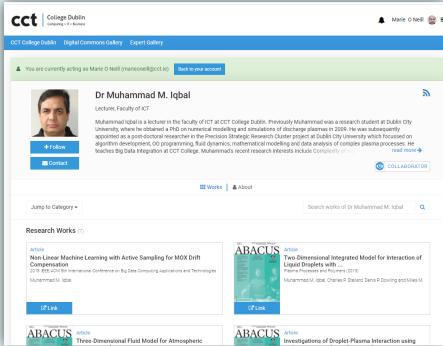


- » Institutional wide audit/Register of PD
- » Online staff profile
- » Digital Commons for dissemination of PD activity and output and to facilitate peer collaboration nationally and internationally

CCT Expert Gallery





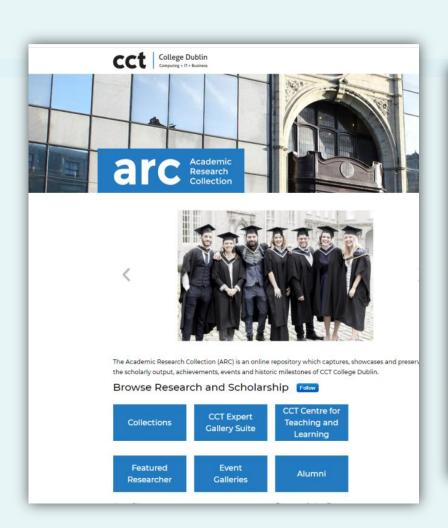


https://www.cct.ie/cct-college-dublin-staff-profiles-expert-gallery/

Expert Gallery connects staff with peers across the world with the same PD and research interests.

CCT Digital Commons (ARC) arc.cct.ie

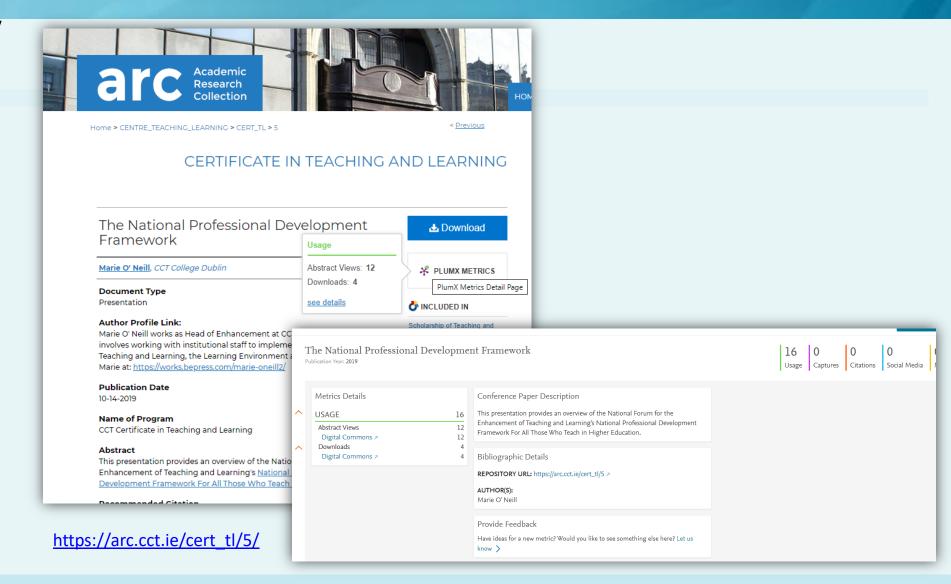






Digital Commons: Other useful metrics





4. Impact



- » Register of PD Activity 501 items and growing
- » Wide range of PD activities involving a wider range of staff
- » Online staff profiles
- » Digital Commons for dissemination of PD activity and output and to facilitate peer collaboration nationally and internationally
- » Initial feedback via student module feedback forms, the INDEx survey and staff testimonials which suggests that PD initiatives are already enhancing the teaching and learning environment.
- » Formalised approaches to assessing PD impact will be implemented in 2020.

Impact: Useful Literature Reviews and Case Studies

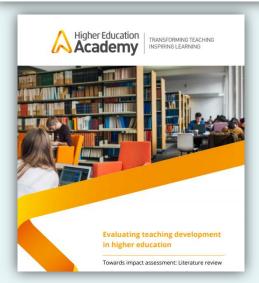




JRC TECHNICAL REPORTS

Innovating Professional Development in Higher Education

Case Studies



https://s3.eu-west-2.amazonaws.com/assets.creode.advancehe-document-manager/documents/hea/private/evaluating_teaching_development_in_he_literature_review1_1_1568037347.pdf

"Research shows that PD enhances teachers' abilities to predict students' approaches, anticipate errors, and determine the best instructional strategies for particular students (Ravhuhali, Kutame & Mutshaeni, 2015; Wall, 2013). "

 $\frac{\text{http://docplayer.net/142066275-Innovating-professional-development-in-higher-education.html}}{\text{education.html}}$

To capture the whole complexity of the impact of PD, using a range of quantitative and qualitative methods such as questionnaires, interviews, reflections, focus groups, and journals is essential (Kneale et al., 2016b)

Assessing Impact: Examples





"There is evidence that the PD modules described above have had an impact..participants on these modules described how they have learned about and tried out new assessment approaches, thereby expanding their repertoire of potential assessment and feedback modes...."

https://www.aishe.org/teachers-as-learners-exploring-the-impact-of-accredited-professional-development-on-learning-and-teaching-in-irish-higher-education/

Staff Feedback





Amanda Russell, Quality Assurance Officer

"Recent CPD sessions, such as the Evaluative Report Writing seminar, have allowed me to develop my knowledge and ensure that it stays relevant and up to date. I am more aware of the developments within the education sector and can ensure that I am effective and will make a more meaningful contribution"



Justin Smyth, College Librarian

"Through an enhanced sensitivity to teaching practices and solutions, as experienced and shared by a wide variety of speakers and colleagues, what has resonated most of all is the reality of identification with faculty and students. Far from being in silos, we are engaged in the same endeavour of improvement and self-challenge. "

Staff Feedback





Michael Weiss, ICT Lecturer

"The broader range of PD activities has provided me with a greater connection to peers as well as access to a wider range of standards, approaches and tools to create a better foundation for students"



Kathleen Embleton, Head of Student Services

"It has been very useful for me to attend the Excellence In Teaching series and part of the Teaching and Learning Certificate. As the Head of Student Services, knowing what the students and the lecturers are doing in the classroom, helps to inform the provision of useful student supports outside of the classroom."



See Naomi Jackson's online profile at: https://works.bepress.com/naomi-jackson/
See Marie O' Neill' online profile at: https://works.bepress.com/marie-oneill2/