

Achievements:

- **policy@manchester won external relations programme of the year at the Educate North awards**

policy@manchester, the Humanities-based but University-wide initiative to increase the policy impact of our research, won External Relations Programme of the Year in the Educate North Awards.

The award was collected by members of the team Professor Andrew Westwood (Associate Vice-President for Public Affairs and co-Director) Alex Waddington (Engagement Manager) and Jane Bevan (Communications and Events Officer). They faced stiff competition to win first prize at the ceremony, which was attended by key figures from the region's Further Education and Higher Education sector.

Since policy@manchester was founded by Prof Colin Talbot in 2012, it has been instrumental in bringing key policy influencers to the University, and for achieving better engagement with Parliamentary Select Committees and local and national government policy decisions.

- **Distinguished Achievement Awards**

The winners of the 2016 University of Manchester Distinguished Achievement Awards have been announced, with staff and students from the Faculty of Humanities among them.

The following staff and students won awards:

- Alliance MBS Global MBA Assessments Team – PSS, Library and Cultural Institutions Team of the Year
- Professor Erik Swyngedouw, School of Environment, Education and Development – Researcher of the Year
- Dr Peter Backus, School of Social Sciences – Teacher of the Year
- Gulwali Passarlay, School of Social Sciences – Undergraduate Student of the Year
- Julia Noble, School of Environment, Education and Development – Postgraduate Research Student of the Year

All award-winners were required to demonstrate an outstanding contribution to their work, teaching, research or studies. The President and Vice-Chancellor will present the Distinguished Achievement Award winners their medals / trophies at a special ceremony on Friday 24 June 2016.

- **Award for the School of Law**

The School of Law's Dementia Clinic has won the Best New Student Pro Bono Activity at the LawWorks & Attorney General Student Awards 2016. The Manchester Free Legal Help Centre was also shortlisted for the same award.

Further details: <http://tinyurl.com/zc3y6gt>

- **Award for Alliance MBS' Marketing and Communications Team**

Alliance Manchester Business School's Marketing and Communications Team won the award for Best Integrated Campaign at the recent Prolific North Awards, which brought together over 800 of the region's marketing and communications professionals.

The Team was recognised for its 50th anniversary campaign – 'From MBS to anywhere' - which combined media relations, a microsite, digital communication and an international events programme in Manchester and at each of the School's International Centres.

Updates:

- **University Student Marketing, Recruitment and Admissions Review**

1. A Project Group to discuss the recommendation from the review which concerns Marketing, Recruitment and Admissions has now been set up, and held its first meeting on 3 May. This recommendation set out by the University Review of Marketing, Recruitment and Admissions was as follows:

'The development and enhancement of professional student recruitment, marketing and admissions teams located in every Faculty, building on the localised Faculty knowledge but also joined up with other faculties across the University.'

The Group has representation from all four Faculty DoFOs (Director of Faculty Operations), as well as Tim Westlake (Director for the Student Experience), Alan Ferns (Director of Communications and Marketing) and Andrew Walsh (Director of Director of Research and Business Engagement Support Services).

2. To consider and implement the work of this group at Faculty level, a Humanities Faculty Implementation Group has been set up, and will have its first meeting on 12 May. Membership of this group is as follows:

- Russell Ashworth (Chair)
- Stuart Hyde, Deputy Director AMBS
- Ruth Lamont, School of Law
- Andrew Koontz-Garboden, Director of Recruitment and Admissions, SALC
- Alison Wilson, Head of School Administration, Social Sciences
- Fiona Smyth, Associate Dean for Teaching and Learning
- Jo Kaiserman; Head of Faculty PGR Support Services
- Marie Gray, Head of Faculty Communications and Marketing

3. Next steps

Ahead of the first meeting of the Faculty Implementation Group, the overall project plan will be agreed by the cross-University Project Group. In addition, a meeting with School Recruitment and Admissions Managers within the Faculty will be arranged as soon as possible, to discuss any key issues.

People:

Please note: the Faculty PSS Senior Leadership Team is working on a method to capture all new appointments and changes across the Faculty. It is hoped that this will be in place for next month's CoreMunicate.

School of Social Sciences

- Danielle Cauchie will be joining SoSS on 3 May as Postgraduate Receptionist, moving from the Institute of Brain, Behaviour and Mental Health.

Communications and Marketing Team

- Laura Jack will be joining the team from 9 May as Administrative Assistant supporting the policy@manchester team and broader Faculty Communications and Marketing Team, moving from Manchester Metropolitan University.

Russell Ashworth

Director of Faculty Operations