

Centre for Higher Education Research, Innovation and Learning (CHERIL)

Launch of 2016-17 Funding Programme

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The University Vision for CHERIL

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The Aims of the Centre

- To provide University Senior Management with strategic advice on developments in teaching and learning across the sector and to identify agendas for research into higher education.
- To promote original, rigorous research into higher education pedagogy, by exploring particular issues and creative responses, by evaluating the impact of interventions in terms of ‘what works?’, ‘how does it work?’ and ‘can it be scaled/transferred?’, and by maintaining a network and website that archives key publications and disseminates colleagues’ evidence-based reporting of teaching innovation.

- To promote original, rigorous research into higher education more broadly, as a field of scholarly enquiry in its own right, including through externally funded research and innovation projects (e.g. the HEA collaborative projects) across the field and within the University.
- To inform the University and Faculty teaching agenda by feeding back the findings of colleagues involved with frontline teaching to senior management, by identifying emerging agenda for research into higher education, and by providing strategic advice on developments in secondary school curricula.

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Closely linked to the Centre's broad aims

Areas for investigation

- Contributing to the delivery of our University's strategic objectives in teaching and learning, especially
 - o Excellent teaching
 - o Distinctive graduate attributes
 - o Making a difference
 - o Learning through research
 - o Global awareness

- Understanding and informing sector developments and higher education policy, especially
 - o Learning effectiveness
 - o Learning Gain
 - o Teaching Excellence Frameworks
 - o Changes to secondary education and implications for transition to higher education

Other areas for investigation are not excluded. The Centre is interested in all kinds of projects relating to HE and hearing about your ideas.

What are we looking for in bids?

- The project aligns with the strategic goals of the University
- There is a robust evaluation and impact strategy
- The measures of success are clearly defined, relevant and realistic
- The degree of benefit to students as a result of the project is likely to be high

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- The project has an innovative approach
- The potential for the project to contribute to pedagogic changes within the University and beyond is high
- The dissemination plans are feasible and comprehensive
- The sustainability of the project post CHERIL funding is viable
- The project provides ‘value for money’



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Questions?

