



## **Call for papers**

### **Innovative Language Teaching and Learning at University: Enhancing the Learning Experience through Student Engagement**

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2013, School of Arts, Languages and Cultures, University of Manchester**

The School of Arts, Languages and Cultures is organising the third annual conference in the 'Innovative language teaching and learning at university' series. Following great success in Newcastle (2011) and Bristol (2012), this year's one day event will be focussing on student engagement.

Against a backdrop of rising fees, student satisfaction and the importance of equipping our graduates for the future, student engagement is becoming an increasingly important element of the higher education offer, and the language curriculum is ideally suited to take up this challenge.

This series of conferences has been very successful in bringing together a wide range of colleagues involved in teaching language and university level, including teaching and research focussed academics. We wish to maintain the momentum, continuing to promote the dissemination of good practice; to foster a spirit of community and enquiry within the language teaching body and ultimately enhance the university teaching and learning.

We welcome papers on any past, present and future projects or case studies focusing on innovative ways to enhance student engagement in languages at university. We would be particularly interested in the following broad areas:

- The use of technology;
- Independent Language Learning;
- Enquiry Based Learning;
- Engaging students in the wider world (citizenship and sustainability);
- Employability;
- Differences in engaging students studying global and less-spoken languages.

We also welcome proposals for workshops either linked to a paper or stand-alone. They will be entitled 'How to....' and their aim is to demonstrate to other language teaching professionals (who may not necessarily be IT professionals) how to manipulate technologies for the purpose of student engagement.

Abstracts are invited for presentations/workshops (in English!) in a titled, single-spaced attachment of not more than 300 words in length, with name, address and affiliation in the body of an email to

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