

Progress Report on Employability Toolkit Project – University of Birmingham

The Project of the University of Birmingham was to design an 'Employability Toolkit for Academics'. This is an on-line resource to support academics to recognise and embed employability in both the curriculum and co-curricular activities.

The toolkit is now 80% completed we intend to launch it in September 2012. We will be running a workshop on the toolkit at our Learning and Teaching Conference (June 25th to 27th) the workshop will be at 11.30am on the 25th. The conference is open to non University staff, enrolment via link www.bham.ac.uk/tlc .

The toolkit includes the following:

Introductory page, graduate destinations data and comparisons with HE institutions; page on tutorial support; pages for each academic School; employability resources.

The pages for the academic schools include:

1. Examples of How Employability are currently embedded in academic programmes specific to the discipline.
2. Ideas 'quick wins' to embedding employability in the curriculum.
3. Case Studies of work and voluntary experience for each discipline.
4. Destinations data specific to each discipline.
5. Careers and other resources specific to each discipline.

The resource has been designed to have the capacity to be interactive and to link to other resources in the University for students.

Although the initial work has been completed we recognise that this is only the beginning and if the resource is to be effective it needs to be both disseminated widely within the University and have resource provided to update and review the resources on an ongoing basis.

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