

# GRADUATE EDUCATION MANAGERS NETWORK **CO-CHAIR NOMINATIONS**

The UK Council for Graduate Education is seeking a Co-Chair for the *Graduate Education Managers Network*. The successful applicant will have wide-ranging knowledge of post-graduate education and in particular the challenges facing Doctoral College Managers, Managers of Doctoral Training Partnerships and of Centres for Doctoral Training.

Nominees should be able to advise on how the UKCGE GEM Network can help to support the development of best practice in the light of the current priorities for Graduate Education.

The call for nominations closes on **Friday 27th January 2023**.

## ABOUT OUR PROFESSIONAL NETWORKS

The UK Council for Graduate Education's Professional Networks are central to our claim to be the 'voice of the postgraduate community' and help us to deliver our ethos of being a charity driven by the sector for the benefit of the sector.

The UKCGE currently runs three Professional Networks: for **Deans and Directors of Graduate Schools**; for **Graduate School Managers**; and for **Research Supervisors**.

The role of our networks is to develop a community of practice in which solutions and effective practices can be shared across institutions.

"Being a Co-Chair of this network has been a fantastic experience — not only has it allowed me to help shape the agenda of the Graduate Education Managers network, it has also given me a great view of the whole sector, allowed me to meet some wonderful colleagues and given a fascinating insight into the work of UKCGE."

**Dr Ross English**, University of Brighton

## WHAT BEING A CO-CHAIR OF THE GRADUATE EDUCATION MANAGERS NETWORK INVOLVES

The Graduate Education Managers Network meets face-to-face at least twice a year—once for a stand-alone workshop, and once at a Symposium during the UKCGE Annual Conference. This requires the Co-Chair of the Network to be willing to design, plan and facilitate these meetings, which may also take place at the Co-Chair's own institution.

Additionally, the GEM network meets for regular 1-hour online discussions, led by network Co-Chairs

The Co-Chair of the Graduate Education Managers Network can therefore expect to spend at least 6 days per year in planning and hosting Network meetings, and in writing content for the GEM Newsletter.

For informal inquiries about the role, please contact:

**Mary Beth Kneafsey**, Co-Chair UKCGE GEM Network: [MaryBeth.Kneafsey@glasgow.ac.uk](mailto:MaryBeth.Kneafsey@glasgow.ac.uk)

### **CURRENT AND FUTURE PRIORITIES FOR THE UKCGE GEM NETWORK**

The GEM Network is planning its next meeting for Spring 2023, at which delegates are given the opportunity to discuss the challenges they face at their institutions.

The appointed person will work alongside Mary Beth Kneafsey, GR Strategy Manager (Research & Innovation Services) at University of Glasgow as Co-Chair of the network assisting with the planning and delivery of this event and should be available to participate.

Future events and network activities, including the network symposium at the Annual conference in July 2023, are also led by the network Co-Chairs.

### **ABOUT THE UK COUNCIL FOR GRADUATE EDUCATION**

The UK Council for Graduate Education is a vibrant and engaged membership community of higher education institutions committed to excellence in postgraduate education.

The Council was founded in 1994 with a mission to foster inter-institutional collaboration on the development of postgraduate education.

“This network has been a vital resource in supporting colleagues working in DTP and CDT management roles to build a cross-sector network and collective voice – it is a fantastic vehicle for practice sharing and developing your thinking.”

**Rachel Van Krimpen**, University of Nottingham

### **EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST WELCOMED**

The Council particularly welcomes experienced Doctoral College Managers, Managers of Doctoral Training Partnerships or Centres for Doctoral Training.

### **How to Submit Your Expression of Interest**

To submit your expression of interest:

1. Provide a brief biographical note, of no more than 250 words, on your career in postgraduate education.
2. State, in no more than 250 words, how you would input into the range of activities undertaken by the network and what you consider to be current priorities for Graduate Education Managers.
3. Email your expression of interest to: [owen.gower@ukcge.ac.uk](mailto:owen.gower@ukcge.ac.uk).

A shortlist of 4 expressions of interest will be presented to the UKCGE Executive Committee, who will make the final decision on who is appointed.

Nominations close on

**Friday 27th January 2023.**

### **MORE INFORMATION**

If you would like more information about the Council or to discuss the nomination process, please contact Kate Payne in the UKCGE office at [katie.payne@ukcge.ac.uk](mailto:katie.payne@ukcge.ac.uk)