

Sustaining communities in times of turmoil

Postgraduate Education Practitioners' (PEP) Network

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Welcome

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Icebreaker

- Which icon best represents how you're feeling today?
- Which icon best represents how you're feeling in your role and/or institution at the moment?

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<https://www.menti.com/alfoskby9nq8>

PGR communities

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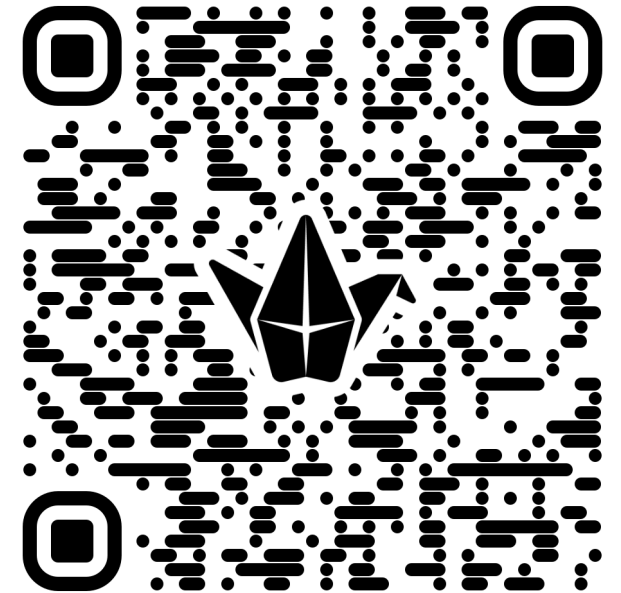
- Why is a PGR community important?
 - Support, wellbeing, company, development
- What constitutes a PGR community?
 - People? (peers, supervisors, researchers, support staff)
 - Structures? (research group, department, centre, school, faculty, hub, institution, CDTs (or similar), inter-institutional collaborations, cross-sector networks)

Breakout session



- What PGR communities can you identify within your institutional contexts?
- How can we sustain PGR communities in times of change?

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Our communities

Our communities

- What professional communities do we have access?
 - People? (colleagues, personal networks)
 - Structures? (teams, divisions, institutions, cross-sector networks)
- Why are these now more important than ever?
 - Support, wellbeing, development, success

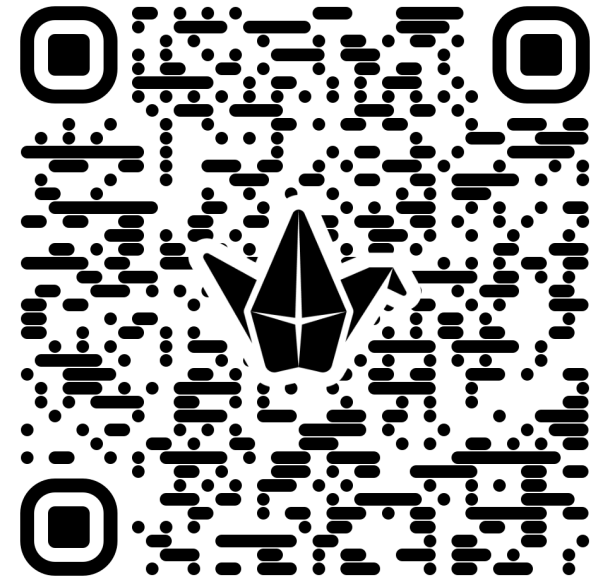
PEP's purpose

- To provide a supportive environment for colleagues to share their experiences, and work through current challenges, enabling peer-to-peer support.
- To support colleagues' professional development by exposing them to an extensive network of practitioners at all levels, creating opportunities to learn, collaborate, make contacts, and build knowledge and confidence.
- To champion the critical role played by postgraduate education practitioners – and the specialist nature of their expertise – to the wider UKCGE community and the sector more broadly.

Breakout session

- What do you want to see PEP keep doing in terms of community?
- What would you like to see PEP doing more of to help build and nurture its community?

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PEP support

Workshops (3 hours online)

- 2-3 topics for discussion
- Development focus
- Next workshop: Spring 2027

Clinics (1 hour online)

- Quarterly(ish)
- Informal
- Issues raised by network members
- Next clinic: Autumn 2026

Sign up via UKCGE website: [UKCGE](#)

Buddies

- Informal support within the PEP network
- Support for specific issue or activity
- Find out more at: [UKCGE | UKCGE PEP Network Buddy Scheme](#)

New to PGR Sessions

- Twice a year (1.5 hours online)
- Introduction to UKCGE, PEP and PGR world

Thank you

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