

Annual Conference 2025

Transitions and Transformations in Postgraduate Education

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NEW!
Day 0

The Hidden Lives of PGRs:
concepts of *accidental*
and *coincidental* learning
about the unwritten rules
of doctoral and
academic life.

The
Hidden
Curriculum
(Elliot et al,
2020,
2023)

Learning from the 'Hidden Curriculum' (unwritten rules, or implicit learning) is essential to success.

A research career is more than a research project.

Access to the HC differs for different people.

Provide an access point to the hidden learning.

But also remind people they can work together to resist and reshape the HC.

Hearing from PGRs, on key topics they have insider experience of.

Peers are highly credible, authentic and therefore persuasive allies for PGR learning.

Covering: parenting, disability, communities for learning, identity, marginalisation, relationships.

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Advancing UKCGE's Organisational Objectives

Raise our
profile locally –
getting the
word out about
the work of
UKCGE via
PGRs

Begin to build
a PGR
consultation
network

Learn first-
hand about
the PGR
experience, in
their own
voice.

Based on an original idea by Dr Joanna Royle, our annual 'This PhD Life' conference.

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