



NATIONAL ENRICHMENT PROGRAMME

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The Open University in Wales National Enrichment programme 2022/23

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The Open University in Wales welcomes the opportunity of adding value for FE (Further Education) learners across Wales by engaging in the National Enrichment programme. We are confident that our unique offer will aid learners to enrich their studies and to help and support them with developing transferrable skills that employers and HE (Higher Education) providers look for. The following is the timetable for the National Enrichment programme, covering student-led learning, live streamed interactive digital workshops, and guest speakers. Our approach is underpinned by the Open University vision ‘To reach more students with life changing learning that meets their needs and enriches society’


The cornerstone of the National Enrichment Programme is our unique free learning platform - [OpenLearn](#) – The National Enrichment programme has its own landing page where we have suggested some relevant courses, but we will encourage the learners to explore OpenLearn and choose a course that motivates them to study, both during Enrichment sessions and independently.


This academic year we are offering interactive digital workshops, covering topics such as ‘Ethical Hacking and Mixed Reality.’ Both our workshops and guest talks will be live streamed, recorded and can then be found on the National Enrichment Programme landing page on OpenLearn, the following week. Our guest talks will cover a range of relevant topics, such as Welsh politics, mental health, and student voice. For the Welsh politics guest talk we will be providing your learners the opportunity to engage with a member of the Senedd, asking them questions that are important to them. This will be facilitated by a senior manager from the Open University in Wales.

We have designed the National Enrichment programme to be inclusive, innovative, and responsive to FE sector and societal needs, because of this we encourage our stakeholders to supply proactive feedback and to share their ideas to help shape the programme. We invite your tutors and support staff to become Open University in Wales Ambassadors, via 1.5 hours of online training. The Open University Ambassadors programme aims to provide its participants with the opportunity to familiarise themselves with the platform and its potential.



Below is the timetable for the National Enrichment Programme 2022/23

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The National Enrichment Programme – Further Education Learners Level 2 - 5 – Timetable of self-study, guest speakers and workshops		
Workshop Topic	Live Stream Enrichment – Wednesday 1100 – 1200	Online recording
<p>Session 1 – Guest Speaker(s)</p> <p>‘Welcome to the Open University in Wales - National Enrichment Programme’</p> <p>Presented by Samantha Forde – Open University in Wales, Partnership Coordinator (Trade Unions and Skills) & Carla Williams – Open University in Wales, Partnership Coordinator (National Enrichment Programme)</p> <p>Live stream: Wednesday 5 October 2022 at 11:00 – 12:00</p>	<p>Brief Introduction to the Open University & student e-Booklet to support the programme.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overview of the programme and learner e-Booklet - Complete NEP (National Enrichment Programme) registration - Study Skills – A how to guide on distance learning 	<p>The recording of this session can be found on the National Enrichment Programme landing page on OpenLearn from Monday 10 October 2022</p>
<p>Session 2 – Guest Speaker(s)</p> <p>‘Getting started on OpenLearn’</p> <p>Presented by tbc</p> <p>Live stream: Wednesday 12 October 2022 at 11:00 – 12:00</p> 	<p>OpenLearn</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Register on OpenLearn - National Enrichment Programme landing page - Introduction to the free resource - Optional: Try out one of the suggested short courses (<p>The recording of this session can be found on the National Enrichment Programme landing page on OpenLearn from Monday 17 October 2022</p>
<p>Session 3 – Guest Speaker(s)</p>	<p>OpenLearn</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tour of the free resource 	<p>The recording of this session can be found on the National Enrichment Programme landing</p>

<p>‘OpenLearn – Explore, Challenge, Recognise and Reward’</p> <p>Presented by tbc</p> <p>Live stream: Wednesday 19 October 2022 at 11:00 – 12:00</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - BOC (Badges Open Course) course – some OpenLearn courses reward completion with a digital badge, acting as a record of learning - Learners encouraged to set themselves achievable learning goals - Enrol on selected course(s) - Commence Enrichment study – with an enrichment and/or upskilling theme 	<p>page on OpenLearn from Monday 24 October 2022</p>
<p>Session 4 – Ongoing independent OpenLearn study</p>		
<p>Session 5 - Ongoing independent OpenLearn study</p>		
<p>Session 6 - **Interactive Digital Workshop**</p> <p>‘Enter the Amazing World of <i>Ethical Hacking</i>’</p> <p>Presented by Lee Campbell – Open University Lecturer and Cyber Industry professional</p> <p>Live stream: Wednesday 16 November 2022 at 11:00– 12:00</p>	<p>Workshop overview:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What is cyber security? - The need for ethical hackers - Hacking skills - Demonstration and task - Penetration testing resources 	<p>The recording of this session can be found on the National Enrichment Programme landing page on OpenLearn from Monday 21 November 2022</p>



		
<p>Session 7 – Ongoing independent OpenLearn study</p>		
<p>Session 8 – ** Interactive Digital Workshop**</p> <p>'Gamified Intelligent Cyber Aptitude Skills Training (GICAST)'</p> <p>Presented by Chitra Balakrishna, Ph.D. MBCS, SFHEA, CEH (Certified Ethical Hacker) – Open University Programme Leader for Cyber Security</p> <p>Live stream: Wednesday 30 November 2022 at 11:00-12:00</p>	<p>Workshop overview:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Demystifying Cyber security - Access the GICAST games via OpenLearn <p><i>The full GICAST (Gamified Intelligent Cyber Aptitude and Skills Training) course can be found on OpenLearn and is one of our BOC courses, which gives you the opportunity to earn a free Open University digital badge. This course has been developed by The Open University with support from the UK Government's National Cyber Security Programme and can be accessed free of charge</i></p>	<p>The recording of this session can be found on the National Enrichment Programme landing page on OpenLearn from Monday 5 December 2022</p>

		
<p>Session 9 - ** Interactive Digital Workshop**</p> <p><i>‘Explore OpenSTEM labs’</i></p> <p>Presented by Stephen Jones – Open University STEM Senior Tutor, School of Engineering and Innovation & Rob Janes – Open University STEM Senior Tutor, School of Life, Health and Chemical Sciences</p> <p>Live stream: Wednesday 7 December 2022 at 11:00 – 12:00</p>  <p>The OpenSTEM Labs</p>	<p>The Open University has a long history of using innovative methods to deliver authentic practical experiences in STEM subjects. The OpenSTEM Labs is our latest development. Comprising a number of labs, each with a distinct identity, meeting modern student and national skills-based needs.</p> <p>This workshop aims to give the student(s) the opportunity to try out some of our ‘OpenSTEM Labs’ experiments. We have an expanding offer, which we are proud to invite you to explore:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The OpenScience Laboratory - The OpenScience Observatories - The OpenEngineering Laboratory - The OpenHealth Laboratory - The OpenComputing Laboratory 	<p>The recording of this session can be found on the National Enrichment Programme landing page on OpenLearn from Monday 12 December 2022</p>
<p>Session 10 - Ongoing independent OpenLearn study</p>		



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Sessions 11 - Ongoing independent OpenLearn study		
<p>Session 12 - Guest Speaker(s) –</p> <p><i>‘Lifelong learning and learning as a benefit’</i></p> <p>Presented by Miv Harris – Open University in Wales, Apprenticeship Programme Delivery Manager & Rhys Griffiths – Open University in Wales, Business Relationship Manager</p> <p>Live Stream: Wednesday 18 January 2023 at 11:00 – 12:00</p>	<p>Overview:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lifelong Learning and its importance - Benefits of learning - IAG with Miv and Rhys - Degree Apprenticeship Q and A (Case studies) - Microcredentials (Case studies) 	<p>The recording of this session can be found on the National Enrichment Programme landing page on OpenLearn from Monday 23 January 2023</p>
Session 13 - Ongoing independent OpenLearn study		
<p>Session 14 - **Interactive Digital Workshop**</p> <p><i>‘Mixed Reality and Virtual Reality’</i></p> <p>Presented by Oli Howsen – Open University Tutor: MR, VR and AR technologies</p> <p>Live stream: Wednesday 1 February 2023 at 11:00 – 12:00</p>	<p>Workshop overview:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An overview of xReality - Industry 4.0 and where xReality fits in - Basics – How to guide.. - Task overview – Multimedia task with a VR spin 	<p>The recording of this session can be found on the National Enrichment Programme landing page on OpenLearn from Monday 6th February 2023</p>

		
<p>Session 15 - ** Practical Task **</p> <p>VR task set by Oli Howsen</p> <p>Live stream: Wednesday 8 February 2023 at 11:00 – 12:00</p> 	<p>Session overview</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Multimedia task with a VR spin - Review progress and support if needed 	<p>The recording of this session can be found on the National Enrichment Programme landing page on OpenLearn from Monday 13 February 2023</p>
<p>Session 16 – Ongoing independent OpenLearn study</p>		
<p>Session 17 - Ongoing independent OpenLearn study</p>		
<p>Session 18 - Guest Speaker(s) -</p> <p><i>‘Question Time with a Member of the Senedd’</i></p>	<p>The Open University (OU) in Wales is proud to be able to offer learners the opportunity to ask the questions that are important to them, directly to a Member of the Senedd.</p>	<p>The recording of this session can be found on the National Enrichment Programme landing</p>



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<p>Facilitated by Cerith Rhys Jones, The Open University in Wales Senior Manager, External Affairs</p> <p>Live stream: Wednesday 8 March 2023 at 11:00 – 12:00</p>	<p>Further details of this event will be confirmed nearer the time.</p>	<p>page on OpenLearn from Monday 13 March 2023</p>
<p>Session 19 – Guest Speaker (s) –</p> <p><i>‘Future Teachers’</i></p> <p>Presented by tbc</p> <p>Live Stream: Wednesday 15 March 2023 at 11:00 – 12:00</p>	<p>This week's guest speaker(s) will be OU (Open University) alumni that have taken and the route they have taken into the teaching profession.</p>	<p>The recording of this session can be found on the National Enrichment Programme landing page on OpenLearn from Monday 20 March 2023</p>
<p>Session 20 – Guest Speaker(s) –</p> <p><i>‘5 ways to mental wellbeing’</i></p> <p>Presented by Alayla Castle-Herbert, The Open University in Wales Policy Officer, Learning and Teaching</p> <p>Live stream: Wednesday 22 March 2023 at 11:00 – 12:00</p>	<p>Session overview:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To explore the 5 ways and how it is relevant to learners and their studies <p>Signpost to mental health and wellbeing resources on OpenLearn</p>	<p>The recording of this session can be found on the National Enrichment Programme landing page on OpenLearn from Monday 27 March 2023</p>
<p>Session 21 – Guest Speaker(s) -</p> <p><i>‘National Enrichment Programme - Summary Session’</i></p> <p>Presented by tbc</p>	<p>Session overview:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Programme Summary - Student Success 	



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Live stream: Wednesday 29 March 2023 at 11:00 – 12:00

Summary session to recap the Open University programme and useful points of contact (*referring to the Student Support booklet produced bespoke for the Enrichment programme*)