

## ASET e-Bulletin

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### October 2017



Clocks are changing already so it's time to get some ASET events in your diary. Look out for further news coming soon on Regional Hub events in your area – in the meantime deadlines are approaching for;

- *NUE Awards nominations*
- *#ASET17 Water bottle challenge*
- *2017 Student Competition*
- *2018 ASET Bursaries*
- *ASET Workshops –*
  13. Placements to Employability – 15<sup>th</sup> Nov, Leeds
  14. Supporting International Students – 30<sup>th</sup> Nov, London
  15. Getting started with Degree Apprenticeships – 4<sup>th</sup> Dec, Herts

You can check out all the details below.

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### NUE Awards 2018



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### Is there someone in your team worthy of some extra special recognition?

ASET is pleased to support a reminder not to miss the deadline for nominating....

You only have until **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November** to get your nominations in for the National Undergraduate Employability Awards 2018.


The NUE Awards celebrate and reward the outstanding achievements of individuals and teams who have demonstrated initiative, innovation and dedication within the field of undergraduate employability.

Universities play a **HUGE** part in undergraduate employability. Creating strategies to attract and engage students from their first year to perfecting those CV's as you wave goodbye in their final year.

Now, you're probably sitting there right now, underestimating all your hard work, and thinking you won't win...

***Well, you have to be in it to win it!***

So what can you nominate for?

- **Revamped!** Best University Placement Service (Over 100 Placements)
- **Revamped!** Best University Placement Service (Under 100 Placements)
- Best University Careers / Employability Service
- Most Improved Commitment to Employability
- Outstanding Contribution to Work Experience **Sponsored by** 
- Best Collaboration Between a University and Employer

Wouldn't it be great to see one of your team on next year's stage?

**Nominate Here**



2017 Outstanding Contribution to Work Experience

**ASET**  
INTEGRATING WORK AND LEARNING

***Good luck!***

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### 2017 ASET Conference

Thank you to those of you who completed our Conference Feedback Survey – feedback is really important to making conference a success, and the Trustees will be looking closely at your comments at the next ASET Executive Committee meeting in November.

Proceedings from the 2017 ASET Conference will be published next week and available to download from the ASET website by Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November.

And if you have your diary to hand.....

### ASET Conference 2018 - **SAVE THE DATE**

We hope to see you again next year, and welcome more new faces too. We'll be at the University of Nottingham, Jubilee Campus, 4-6<sup>th</sup> September #ASET18



for our 25<sup>th</sup> ASET Annual Conference



University of Nottingham, Jubilee Campus

### The ASET Water Bottle Challenge.....

This year's competition is on – have you entered your photo? Remember there's a chance to win a **free place** at next year's conference. Don't forget we're looking for shots that are **creative, cool** or from **far flung destinations** - #ASET17. Tweet your entry today!

We will be announcing the competition closing date in next month's e-Bulletin.

### Staff Development Workshops

Details for our autumn programme are listed below. You can book your space on any workshop [here](#).



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Our next workshop is in Leeds at the newly refurbished Cloth Hall Court – Wool Room, the latest venue in the Leeds Beckett University portfolio, which is conveniently located opposite Leeds train station.

### **13. From Placements to Employability: thinking about the whole student experience (PI-E)**

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November (10am-4pm) Cloth Hall Court, Leeds Beckett University**

£165 ASET members/£195 non-members

Perhaps you have expertise in supporting placement students but are now being asked to become involved in curriculum design and development more broadly associated with employability? Or you have experience in your subject based curriculum but are new to placements and employability? Do you know what you might do differently if you were assessing a first year undergraduate placement compared to a Masters level placement? Single interventions, like the sandwich placement, are no longer sufficient in terms of determining employment success on graduation – we must consider the whole student experience. We will contrast employability in the curriculum with employability through the curriculum i.e. how broader teaching, learning and assessment strategies throughout a programme can impact on employability. The intended outcome of the session is to enable you to use your experience and expertise from placement activities to work with your colleagues in your own institutions to appropriately embed placement and other employability related activities in the curriculum.

**Last day for booking on this workshop is Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November**

To find out more, check out this short [Placements to Employability video](#) from ASET Learning and Development Advisor, Nicola

Date	Location	W'shop No.	Title
15 Nov	Cloth Hall Leeds Beckett University	13	From Placements to Employability -
30 Nov	Student Central, London	14	Supporting International Students with Placements
04 Dec	University of Hertfordshire	15	Degree Apprenticeships

**[Book Online for ASET Workshops](#)**

### **Bespoke Workshops**

- *Are you undergoing a department/team restructure?*
- *Have you been set a new challenge that you need support with?*
- *Would your team benefit from a refresher?*
- *Are you sure best practice is being followed across your institution?*
- *Do you need help to look at a fresh approach?*

If you would like to talk about ideas for a **bespoke workshop**, contact Debbie at the ASET Office [aset@asetonline.org](mailto:aset@asetonline.org).

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### 2017 Student Competition

Have you told your returning placement students about the ASET competition?

*Calling all students who have recently completed a placement  
Celebrate by sharing your experiences in an inspirational way for a chance to win £400*



Full details for how to enter this year's Student Competition can be found on the ASET website. Entries are already coming in – and the stories are as inspiring as ever.

It would be great to see all our member institutions taking part this year – it's always a rewarding experience to see one of your students gain recognition from winning, to receive a commendation from their head of department and, of course, a boost to their funds in their final year.

The competition is now open to all ASET member institutions, so please do encourage your returning students to enter. Full details are on the [ASET website](#) on the ASET Competitions page, along with this year's **entry form** which must be downloaded and completed in full by the student entering and supported by you.

There are once again two categories for entry:

- Placement/Internship/Work experience undertaken in the UK or Ireland
- Placement/Internship/Work experience undertaken overseas

There is still plenty of time to get your students involved – the **deadline for entries** reaching the ASET Office is **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 12noon**.

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### 2018 ASET Bursaries

#### 2018 ASET Summer Project Bursary

For small-scale projects on Work Based and Placement Learning



#### 2018 ASET Student Research Bursary

For small-scale research into Work Based and Placement Learning



Our ASET bursaries are now in their 6<sup>th</sup> year and have proved to be a useful addition to the body of research into Work based and Placement Learning. If you are thinking about applying for a bursary this year, take a look at the wide range of topics covered to date:

- [\*Pros and Cons of Central Placement Units in UK Universities\*](#)
- [\*Work Placements in Safety Critical Industries: A Built Environment Case Study\*](#)
- [\*Work Shadowing Evaluation Project\*](#)
- [\*An Investigation into Student Experiences of Summer Internships\*](#)
- [\*To what extent does peer-to-peer support encourage second year students to actively seek placements?\*](#)
- [\*Support for Students with Mental Health issues on Placement\*](#)
- [\*Piloting student media placements in non-traditional media environments: Teesside University School of Art and Media and James Cook Hospital Communications Team\*](#)
- [\*The impact of Placement Experience on Returning Doctoral Students\*](#)
- [\*Developing interest in year-long work placements?\*](#)
- [\*What determines student success and failure when searching and applying for placements?\*](#)
- [\*An Investigation into the maximum number of hours that an undergraduate student can work during the semester without adversely impacting on their academic commitments\*](#)

Each bursary offers **£2400 to a student** and **£600 to the institution** devising and managing the project, and typically covers 8 weeks of project work, culminating in an opportunity for the student to present their work at the 2018 ASET conference, and for their final report to be available via the 2018 ASET Conference Proceedings, and for download from the ASET website.

For 2018, two bursaries will be awarded:

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### The Summer Project Bursary

#### 2018 ASET Summer Project Bursary

For small-scale projects on Work Based and Placement Learning



For a **current undergraduate** to carry out a project examining an aspect of your institutional practice, or exploration of a new initiative, with the goal of sharing with the ASET community.

### The Student Research Bursary

For a **current student or recent graduate** to carry out a clearly defined piece of small scale research designed to grow the body of research into work-based and placement learning.

#### 2018 ASET Student Research Bursary

For small-scale research into Work Based and Placement Learning



Full details for the [2018 ASET Bursaries](#), and details for how to apply, using the 2018 Bursary Application form are available on the [ASET website](#).

All applications must be received at the ASET office by 9am, 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018.

## NADP Conference 2018

*“The National Association of Disability Practitioners (NADP) is the Professional Association for those working in the tertiary education sector and who are involved in the management or delivery of services for disabled students and the staff who support them.*

*NADP is committed to improving the professional development and status of disability and inclusivity practitioners in further and higher education through peer support, education, communication and leadership.*

*Our international conference 2018 will be held at the **Clayton Hotel in Chiswick, London from Monday 25<sup>th</sup>-Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2018**. It will focus on the priorities for ensuring quality provision in the field of disability support and inclusivity.*

*NADP's first International Conference in 2015 attracted over 200 delegates and presenters from all over the world and was a great success. As a result, we are very excited to be developing the programme for our second international conference in June 2018, and we are looking for abstracts that can integrate our theme of "Ensuring Quality Provision" with one or more of the focus areas outlined below.*

*We invite you to share your innovative methods, tested solutions, and proven results with an audience representing an array of countries, backgrounds and institutions.*

*The topics include, though are not confined to:*



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- *Policy development and implementation*
- *Enhancing the disabled student experience*
- *Systems for evaluating Disability services e.g. measuring impact on retention, progression, achievement or employability*
- *Aiding transition to and from higher education*
- *Engaging the student voice*
- *Individual or group support systems*
- *Inclusive Practice - e.g. benchmarking, strategic implementation or evaluation*
- *Academic Assessment and associated methodologies*
- *Evidence based-research informed practice*
- *Collaborative working between Disability and Inclusivity Professionals and Academics*

We are inviting abstracts for presentations, workshop sessions, panel discussions and posters. More details of submitting an abstract and extra conference information can be found here:"

<https://nadp-uk.org/conferences/international-conference-2018/>

### **ASET Good Practice Guides**

ASET Good Practice Guides are available for download from the [ASET website](#) , and to order in hardcopy (£3 per copy) from the ASET office using the [Publications Order form](#).

### **And Finally**

Your next ASET members' e-Bulletin will be issued w/c 20<sup>th</sup> November. Please forward your news/copy to [aset@asetonline.org](mailto:aset@asetonline.org) by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November.

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