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# Faculty of Science Brokerage Newsletter



The Faculty of Science Brokerage Group consists of Academic and Support Staff representatives who meet regularly to discuss Brokerage matters arising within the Faculty. The Brokerage Newsletter has been devised to report back the matters discussed and keep all Faculty of Science Staff up to date.

## The following items have been discussed at the most recent Faculty of Science Brokerage Meeting:

### Level 5 Internships

The LJMU World of Work Careers Centre are currently advertising 97 level 5 internships on the LJMU Vacancy website. All opportunities will begin at the end of May/ beginning of June and each successful student will receive £500 for participating.

If anyone requires log in details for the LJMU Vacancy website, or has any questions please contact Tricia Delwadia (Brokerage Officer) *Tel:* 0151 904 6034 *Email:* T.Delwadia@ljmu.ac.uk

### Health and Safety

Phil Denton will be representing views of the Faculty of Science when the second draft of the Placement Learning Code of Practice goes to the University Education Committee in April.

At the time of writing, staff have stressed the lack of insurance information available on the intranet pages in comparison to other Universities. There is a small section on insurance in the current SCP23 Placement of Students for Work Experience code of practice. If anyone has any specific queries please direct them to Rachel Smith (Insurance Officer) *Tel:* 0151 904 6431 *Email:* R.Smith@ljmu.ac.uk

### DBS Updates

A review meeting between select Faculty of Science staff and a representative from Atlantic Data will be taking place on Thursday 24th April. There are no further updates, business as usual.

Further Faculty DBS information available via: <http://www.ljmu.ac.uk/Faculties/SCS/114857.htm>

If you have any questions with regards to DBS checks, contact the World of Work...

Skills Support Unit *Tel:* 0151 231 2079  
*Email:* scienceworldofwork@ljmu.ac.uk

## Recognised Good Practice within the Faculty of Science

Details about hosting placements, originally raised by Patricia Barry at the previous FBG meeting, have been shared at the most recent Faculty Education Committee.

Patricia Barry has been receiving requests from Manchester Metropolitan University asking for contact information to potentially source placements for their 'Health Care Science' course, which requires each student to complete 50 weeks of placements over 3 years. MMU are struggling to source enough placements and as a result are trying to target Cheshire and Merseyside employers. Patricia Barry will be meeting with the PBS employers to maintain the relationship with LJMU.

## Placements

The School of PBS have proposed a new MChem course and a companion programme, Chemistry with Teaching (CWT), with Mark Wainwright as Programme Leader. The CWT course will be 3 years long and the students will be required to teach in a school for their final year. Communications with IM Marsh suggest the course will be positively received and will provide students with an enhanced platform to applying for a PGCE.

In addition to this, Glynn Hobbs reported that Mark Murphy will be leading the MSc Industrial Biotechnology course, which will also require student placements. This may increase potential health and safety issues, although on site placements may be used as a backup plan.

### Past Events 2013/2014:

Name of Event	Date & Time	Information	Students attended
Careers in Exercise & Fitness Event	Wednesday 22nd January 2014	The event was delivered by the following alumni guest speakers; Chris Mullen (LJMU SPS graduate and Sports Development Officer at Accrington Stanley Community Trust), Lyndsey Todd (Tutor Assessor at The Training Room) and Adrian Roose (Exercise Physiologist from Liverpool Heart and Chest Hospital).	Approximately 46 students attended

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Working in Forensics	Wednesday 12th March 2014	Jo Tanner (Merseyside Police) Kate Bailey (Forensic Psychologist), Sarah Kirk (British Transport Police) and Brett Lockyer (Specialty Registrar Forensic Pathology from the Royal Liverpool University Hospital.) were all guest speakers at the event. Paul Dawson filmed the talks which are available for potential/ current students, staff and employers to watch on LJMUTV and YouTube. The full story is available on the LJMU newsfeed.	Approximately 68 students attended. This is one of the most successful events run to date
Pharmacy Pre Registration Employer Event	Wednesday 12th February 2014	Previously Pharmacy have run the event, however the World of Work Careers Centre have organised it this year and have received good feedback from both employers and students.	13 employers & approximately 120 students attended the event
Applying to Graduate courses in Dentistry & Medicine	Wednesday 26th March 2014	Talk from a medical student from The University of Liverpool	Approximately 20 students attended

Overall Laura Aldridge has completed 81 hours delivery in the first semester and 102 hours delivery in the second semester, making it a total of 183 hours of delivery out of the maximum 240 for the academic year. The second semester has seen the highest take up of delivery from any Faculty.

Careers workshops for students will continue to run over the summer.

For further information on Career/ Employability Events, contact Laura Aldridge (Careers Advisor) *Tel:* 0151 231 8686 *Email:* L.Aldridge@ljmu.ac.uk

## Alumni Research Talks

Mark Williams (Alumni Relations Lead) has been sent details of research talks in the Faculty.

For further information about delivering/ attending alumni engagement events, please contact Mark Williams *Tel:* 0151 231 3370 *Email:* M.R.Williams@ljmu.ac.uk

## Faculty of Science Brokerage Group Name Change

Due to recent developments to the content of the FBG meetings, we are looking to change our name. All suggestions and ideas welcome.

Please submit to Katie Lawrence (Minutes/ Secretary Faculty of Science Brokerage Group) *Tel:* 0151 231 2079 *Email:* K.L.Lawrence@ljmu.ac.uk

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Should you have any information you wish to feed back to the Faculty of Science Brokerage Group, good practice you would like to share or any input with regards to the items mentioned above please contact your School Representative or Katie Lawrence.

## Faulty of Science Brokerage Group Meeting Information

Date of the next Faculty of Science Brokerage Meeting: **Monday 16th June 2014**

All comments to be sent to your School Representative/ Secretary by: **Monday 2nd June 2014.**