

Moving from foundation degree to degree level study: an exploration of students' feelings

Information Sheet for Lecturers

The information sheet for students (attached) has already been circulated to students who have consented to participate in a research study that aims to explore students' feelings as they progress from a Foundation Degree to an Honours degree programme.

The primary focus of the research study is to ascertain the views of students. However, students' experiences may be influenced by a range of issues during transition. The views of lecturers have the potential to offer a different perspective on the transition process and may contribute to a greater understanding of the matter.

You are invited to take part in a short group interview with other members of your lecturing team which should last approximately 30 minutes. If you agree to take part, you can, of course, decline to answer any question you would rather avoid, and can end the interview whenever you wish to do so. Your written consent will be sought prior to the interview. If given, this does not in any way interfere with your right to withdraw from the study.

The information provided to the researcher will be regarded as strictly confidential and will not be used for any purpose other than to inform the research study outlined in this information sheet. The results of the study may later be presented at professional meetings, or may be published in a professional journal. In either instance your name, or any other identifying information, will not be revealed.

All data collected within XXXXX is governed by the terms of the Data Protection Act 2003.

Permission for this research project has been sought and granted from the Principal of XXXXX, and from the Ethics Committee at the XXXXX.

If you have any questions about the scope of this research project or your rights as a research participant, please contact

Sam Lloyd-Parry by telephone on: XXXXX
or via e mail: XXXXX

If you would like to speak to someone independent from the college, please contact XXXXX by telephone on XXXXX or via e mail: XXXXX

I would wish to thank you in anticipation of your participation in this research project.