

Thursday 29th November 2018

La Mon Hotel & Country Club, Belfast

AGENDA

9:00 - 9:25 Registration and Coffee

9:25 - 9:30 Housekeeping Pat Jamison, Conference Coordinator

9:30 - 9:40 Welcome Hilary West-Hurst, Co-Chair of NISCA

9:40 - 9:50 Keynote address : Hilary Woods, Principal Belfast Royal Academy

9:50 - 10:10 Principal Sponsor's Address

10:15 - 10:55 Workshop session 1

11:00 - 11:25 Tea/Coffee Break

11:30 - 12:10 Workshop session 2

12:15 - 13:15 LUNCH

13:20 -13:30 Coordination of Work Placements - An easier way

13:30 - 13:50 Labour Market Information update - TBC

13:55 - 14:35 Workshop session 3

14:40 - 15:20 Workshop session 4

15:25 - 15:35 GCSE New Grading System : Claire Mc Nicholl, CCEA

15:35 Conclusion and collection of Evaluation forms

15:45 NISCA AGM (All members are requested to attend)

LIST OF WORKSHOPS – Autumn 2019 NISCA Conference

1. Work+ Civil Engineering Apprenticeships

With over 100 civil engineering apprentices employed in NI, Work+ offers exciting career opportunities in the civil engineering profession. Twenty-six local employers recruit through Work+ and offer a pathway to professional qualifications with the Institution of Civil Engineers.

Apprentices can enter for BTEC, Foundation Degree or Degree apprenticeships, progress as far as Master's degree level, and obtain professional qualifications at the end of their apprenticeship.

This workshop will allow you to hear from three current apprentices and employers including GRAHAM, Atkins, Farrans and Translink, about the excellent opportunities available. Work+ recruitment for 2019 will commence in February 2019.

2. STEM Learning - STEM Insight Programme - Placements for teachers in Industry and University

The workshop will include an overview of the STEM Insight programme which gives teachers a unique opportunity to experience life in cutting edge industry or university.

It is a chance to go on a placement to learn about jobs and career pathways, ensuring that students have access to the best possible STEM careers information.

A bursary of £1000 is available for the school for each teacher that participates in the programme.

3. Why study the Humanities?

Many students who feel excited to study humanities worry they will somehow be less successful than their peers studying STEM subjects. This need not be the case, and there is a great deal of value, both to the individual and to society as a whole, in studying Humanities. This session will outline some of the arguments in favour of a Humanities degree, and discuss how best to advise your students when they are not too sure where their focus lies.

Learning outcomes: To be able to advise your students on the value of a Humanities degree, the variety of degrees available, and potential career opportunities.

Audience: This breakout session will benefit all levels of knowledge.

4. CAO

The CAO presentation will cover the CAO application process from the applicant's perspective. The talk is designed to help careers teachers and advisers to deliver the presentation to their own students. The presentation will also highlight the various resources available on the CAO website and some of the common errors and questions that CAO receives from GCE applicants.

5. Ulster University - Stratified Medicine

Stratified, or Personalised medicine, is the ability to provide precision disease diagnosis and treatment at an individual level. Patient response to a particular drug treatment, therapeutic intervention or standard of care varies widely. For some diseases, as few as 20-

30% of patients respond to the standard level of care. Stratification allows better targeting of treatment to specific disease pathways and better matching of available treatments to particular groups of patients.

This workshop will provide a taster session on Stratified Medicine and the Undergraduate course at Ulster University. Information will be provided on what is involved in stratified medicine, the course content, employment opportunities and the current representatives from health and industry involved with the course.

6. W5 - Bringing Employers and Careers teachers together

W5 coordinates the STEM Ambassador Hub in Northern Ireland, ensuring all schools have knowledge of and access to STEM Ambassadors in their area.

We link ambassadors with local schools so they can act as positive role models and help inspire and engage young people about the value of STEM in their daily lives.

We have over 1,250 approved STEM Ambassadors on our system who have been DBS checked and approved who can offer time and support to promote STEM subjects and careers to young learners.

These ambassadors come from a wide range of backgrounds and disciplines, both graduate and non-graduate, academia, industry and business but all share a passion for STEM.

This is an invaluable and FREE resource for careers teachers.

STEM Ambassadors can support school careers through a range of activities, for example:

- Speed Networking
- Hosting a workplace visit for pupils / teachers
- Student work experience / work shadowing
- Assisting with Interview Skills Days
- Delivering STEM Subject Talks, Careers Talks or Assembly Talks

Attend this interactive workshop to find out how STEM Learning and W5 can support your careers programme.

7. The Value of Volunteering

Causeway Volunteer Centre is part of a Network of Centres that together provide support for volunteering across Northern Ireland. The Value of Volunteering Workshop will highlight the benefits of volunteering for young people in terms of personal development, employment, and further education, give practical examples of how your young people can get involved and provide details for useful contacts in your area.

8. PwC Tech degree

In 2017, PwC partnered with Queen's University to launch the first Level 6 Degree Lead Apprenticeship. With the backing of the Department for the Economy, the programme allows students to work towards a Degree in Software Engineering combined with practical work based Technology projects at PwC.

The programme is one of 5 PwC Degree Lead Apprenticeships across the UK offering over 100 students a fully funded course (so no student fees!!), great job prospects and a salary from day one! To find out more about this innovative course come to the PwC Tech Degree workshop.

9. Developing a Career in Social Work and Social Care

The workshop will explore how you can develop a career in both Social Work and Social Care and guide you through their respective qualification frameworks. It will also provide information on the role of the Social Care Council as the workforce regulator for Northern Ireland, Its Ambassador Scheme, Careers in the sector and the importance of Standards.

Who the Social Care Council is : The Northern Ireland Social Care Council is the workforce regulator for the social work and social care workforce. It has a statutory responsibility to set and regulate standards for social work and social care practice and for social work education and training. The Social care Council is also a sector Skills Council - a member of the UK alliance 'Skills for Care and Development'. It works with employers to ensure the right learning and development frameworks are in place.

*Keep ahead and learn how use of emerging digital technologies, either **Google Education** or **Microsoft Class Notebook**, can enhance your leadership and learning and teaching, with an emphasis on use in CEIAG. Choose whichever workshop is relevant to your school. The workshops will be delivered by expert facilitators from C2k who are training teachers in N. Ireland.*

10. Google Education

Find out how G Suite can support easy sharing and collaboration with staff within and beyond the Careers Department as well as with students and outside agencies. An overview will be given of core G Suite (formerly Google Apps for Education) tools such as Google Drive, Team Drives and Google Classroom. G Suite is provided by C2k as a free opt-in service. Guidance on how Principals can opt in will be provided.

Esther Woodhouse has been providing training and support for schools since joining C2k nine years ago as an ELearning Consultant.

11. Extending learning opportunities in Careers Education with Microsoft Class Notebook and Office 365

This workshop outlines how the key Office 365 apps and Class Notebook can support careers education not only within your own school but also beyond. The O365 opt- in service which is available free to all schools in Northern Ireland can be used to streamline existing practice and also introduce innovative ways of sharing and enhancing learning. Examples of using O365 will include how you can streamline your own practice, work more efficiently within your own department and across schools partnerships. The session will also introduce the potential of the 'soon to be released MS Teams. This latest offering from Microsoft has many additional features and makes both synchronous and asynchronous collaboration simple.

Donna Vaughan, an eLearning Consultant with C2k is also an accredited Microsoft Trainer and Google Certified Educator.

12. IT Apprenticeships - Belfast Metropolitan College

General IT Apprenticeships and how they work.

13. Hotel & Tourism in N Ireland

The Hotel & Tourism industry is booming in Northern Ireland. There is a great shortage of chefs and catering staff.

Brian Mc Cann Head Chef of the SHU restaurant in South Belfast will present on opportunities within the restaurant /professional cookery industry , sharing insights of his own career path and introducing the innovative apprenticeship programme offered by SHU.

14. How to make a great first impression

Help your students to develop interview-ready body language skills! Attend this workshop with communications expert, Camilla Long for fresh ideas to energise your interview preparation sessions. Learn how your students can apply tools and techniques from top management and leadership thinkers to overcome interview nerves, and perform to their full potential.

Camilla is co-founder of Bespoke Communications, a Northern-Ireland based agency offering media training, public speaking coaching and leadership development to the country's biggest and best known organisations. A computer scientist by background, Camilla has also volunteered as a tutor in maths, science, computers and literacy to primary, post-primary and adult learners.
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