



Seminar Series 2014-15

February 24, 2015, 12:30–16:00 at the University of Glasgow, Urban Big Data Centre at 7 Lilybank Gardens, Glasgow G12 8RZ

Teaching your grandmother to suck eggs

A half-day seminar to introduce topics of intergenerational learning and tutoring

Lunch will be available at 1230 with presentations and discussion from 1300

Mike Osborne, Professor of Adult and Lifelong Learning, University of Glasgow

Introduction and What Big Data will tell us about Lifelong Learning in Glasgow

Mike Osborne is Director of CR&DALL. His main interests in research and development are in widening participation to higher education, teaching and learning in higher education, the VET/HE interface, the development of learning cities and regions and the use of Big Data in Education. He is a principal investigator within the ESRC funded Urban Big Data Centre at the University of Glasgow, and will speak about some of the work of the centre as it pertains to lifelong learning.

Jane Watts, Senior Research Fellow, National Institute of Adult and Continuing Education (NIACE)

Community Learning approaches to solidarity between the generations - inter - or multi generational?

Jane Watts was formerly a NIACE Programme Manager in the Learning in Communities area with responsibility for older learners, the third sector and equality and diversity. Jane led NIACE's work on older learners – projects included the Mid-Life Career Review project supported by the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills and the National Older Learners' Group. Jane's work focused on developing and leading projects, research and evaluations, and work on the strategic direction of adult learning, particularly in regard to inclusion – whether in the labour market or to learning opportunities. She has had a long involvement with European projects and policy, and extensive experience of

developing partnerships involving further and higher education learning providers, third sector organizations and statutory bodies as well as experience of developing and delivering CPD and capacity building provision for community based learning provider managers.

Tiina Tambaum, Tallinn University

Inter-generational learning of internet skills in Estonia

Tiina Tambaum is a junior research fellow at the Estonian Institute for Population Studies, Tallinn University, and she teaches Geragogy classes for postgraduate students at the Institute of Educational Sciences. The aim of her doctoral theses is to construct a learning and instructing model for teenagers to be used in teaching Internet skills to older people. She has published academic articles about older learners in mixed-age learning groups, older rural men's readiness and their obstacles to passing on their skills and knowledge, and the social involvement of people with self-reported activity limitations. During recent years Tiina has introduced themes of older people's learning and activity, including older men's (in)activity to the Estonian public through a number of articles in the mainstream media.

Alison Clyde, National Development Officer at Generations Working Together

Intergenerational work promoting wider achievement and building effective external partnerships

Alison Clyde is National Development Officer for Generations Working Together (GWT) and is responsible for managing and developing all aspects of organisation's programme including developing and supporting 31 local intergenerational networks across Scotland. GWT aims to support and develop intergenerational practice throughout Scotland in order to reduce age stereotyping, improve community cohesion and encourage lifelong learning. Intergenerational practice covers a wide variety of projects and activities, which are undertaken, with the aim of bringing younger and older people together. Alison will speak about GWT's networks and training programme and the benefits of intergenerational work and how it fits within a Scotland wide context. For the past two years Alison has also volunteered as a board trustee for Deafblind Scotland and Town Break (a small local dementia charity). Alison has over 20 years of management/project development and volunteering experience and has worked in the public/private and third sector.

Numbers are strictly limited for this event so please book early.

RSVP to cradall@glasgow.ac.uk

Please note that lunch will be served at 1230

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