

Annual Conference for Research in Education (ACRE)

Faculty of Education, Edge Hill University, UK

26th to 28th June 2024



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The purpose, politics, and prospects of higher education

The 2024 ACRE conference at Edge Hill University offers a forum for exploring and questioning policies and practices that shape higher education today, and the future prospects of the sector.

We welcome submissions from those working in higher education and related sectors: academic and professional services staff, policy makers, students, school teachers, leaders, and support staff.

Indicative themes:

- Higher education pedagogy and curriculum
- Metrics and accountability
- University-based teacher education
- Doctoral education and training
- Student support, mental health and wellbeing
- Internationalisation
- 'Unbundling' and restructuring of the university
- Access, participation, and inclusion
- New developments and challenges
- Educational research methodology

In addition to presentations of submitted work, the conference will feature researcher development sessions, Research Lab LIVE!, a 'Meet the Journal Editors' session, and guest keynote speakers.

The event is free for our Faculty of education partner schools and settings (booking essential: subject to availability).

We are delighted to again offer free places to the best three submissions from PGR/ECRs from external institutions.

Submission deadline:

Midnight UK time 8th April 2024 via <https://forms.office.com/e/NQiq3yCV6r>

Submissions will be blind peer reviewed by the Committee and outcomes will be communicated by Monday 29th April 2024.

Submission types

The Conference Organising Committee invites abstracts for presentations that relate to the broad themes of the conference, in a range of formats:

Individual paper (20 min presentation, 10 min Q&A)

Submit an abstract of 250 words max. plus indicative references

Symposium: group of 3-4 submissions focused on a specific theme (45 min presentation, 45 min Q&A)

Submit 250 word abstract per person plus introduction to the theme and named discussant

Workshop: practically focused session (90 min)

Submit 250 word abstract indicating the focus of the workshop and the practical activities it will involve

Poster presentation

Submit electronically (as e.g. ppt slide) for display in communal areas during the conference

Postgraduate Research Students and Early Career Researchers may indicate whether they prefer to present in the main conference or in a dedicated session for PGRs/ECRs. These requests will be granted as far as possible, at the discretion of the conference committee.

We welcome contributions from teachers and practitioners, including from our Partnership Schools. Presenters from partnership schools will have conference fees waived.

Registration and fees

Conference registration will open soon.

Fees include lunches and refreshments.

Edge Hill staff and students and FOE and FHSCM partnership colleagues' places are funded by the Faculty of Education, Edge Hill University (subject to availability).

Up to and including 12th May

External student/unwaged attendees £45

External £90

From 13th May

External student/unwaged attendees £70

External £140

Travel and Accommodation

The event will be held on our beautiful Ormskirk campus, accessible by rail from Liverpool or Preston. Further travel information is available on our website: <https://edgehill.ac.uk/travel>

For information on local overnight accommodation options see: <https://www.visitlancashire.com/>

Questions?

If you have any questions about submitting a contribution for the conference, please contact Dr Naomi Hodgson: naomi.hodgson@edgehill.ac.uk

For practical queries please contact educationresearch@edgehill.ac.uk