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4th Annual Peer Assisted Learning Symposium 2010

Student Led Learning: Supporting the 1st Year Experience

AGENDA

Wednesday May 12th

5:00 - 6:00pm Registration & Welcome Reception
in the Carlton Hotel, Dublin Road, Galway.

6:00 - 8:00pm Networking Dinner in the Carlton Hotel, Dublin Road, Galway.

Thursday May 13th | Theatre 994, GMIT

9:00 - 9:30am Registration & Refreshments | Café Foyer, Front Reception, GMIT.

9:30 - 9:45am Welcome Address - Marion Coy, President, GMIT.

9:45 - 10:45am Keynote Address: "Learning to Change, Changing to Learn"
Cathy Unite, University of Missouri-Kansas City.

10:45 - 11:00am Refreshments | Café Foyer

PAL Programme Development and Implementation:

11:00 - 11:45am Open Surgery: Tackling the challenges in implementing peer assisted student support.
Marcia Ody and Will Carey, University of Manchester.

11:45 - 12:15pm Promoting Peer Learning within the Shannon Consortium and Beyond
Catherine Bracken and Hussain Mahdi, Regional Peer Supported Learning
Centre, University of Limerick

12:15 - 12:30pm Addressing Academic & Social Challenges of First Year Students with Peer Learning
in Modern Languages in TCD
Katrin Eberbach, Trinity College Dublin

12:30 - 12:45pm PAL Pilot Project in BA International Business & Languages in DIT
Odette Gabaudan, Dublin Institute of Technology.

12.45 - 1.00pm Q&A

1:00 - 2:00pm LUNCH | Café Foyer

PAL Evaluation Experiences:

2:00 - 2:30pm First Year Experience of a PAL Programme deployed in two
Institutes of Technology in Ireland.
Carina Ginty, GMIT, Nuala Harding, AIT and PAL/PASS Student Leaders
from both institutes.

2:30 - 3:00pm Improving First Year Student Performance and Retention by using peer-tutoring
at the University of Granada (Spain)
Jose L. Arco, Francisco D. Fernández & Maribel Miñaca, University of Granada (Spain).

3:00 - 3:30pm Insight and Evaluation: Celebrating 9 Years of Peer-Supported Learning Groups
at University of Limerick. - Hussain Mahdi, University of Limerick.

3:30 - 3:45pm Q&A

3:45 - 4:00pm Closing Address - Dr. Joe Ryan, Registrar, AIT.

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