Curricular Innovation in Physical Education Sport and Exercise Sciences: Entrepreneurship and Employability

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OVERVIEW

Curricular Innovation in Higher Education: Entrepreneurship and Employability

• Central /Link / departmental services and opportunities in HE
• Physical Education and Sports Entrepreneurs
• Workshop
Entrepreneurship and higher education: an employability perspective

Employability and work-based learning
Employability and higher education
Embedding employability into the curriculum

“Employability is a central issue in higher education. Our work recognises this and is focused on helping institutions to develop their teaching and learning in ways which will enable graduates to meet the economic and social challenges of the 21st century”.

“Embedding effective employability practice within the curriculum is an important part of this.”
RESEARCH AND ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (RED)  
(CANTERBURY CHRIST CHURCH UNIVERSITY)

Portal to elements of enterprise and entrepreneurship:
http://www.canterbury.ac.uk/centres/red/enterprise/student/index.asp

Student Enterprise

“ENTERPRISE - is not just about business. Enterprise is a mindset - a set of skills, attributes and behaviours which will enable you to see the world differently, face future challenges and help you to stand out from the crowd”

• We hope the opportunities presented on these webpages will help you to:
• Become more confident, creative and inspirational
• Develop skills that will enhance your employability
• Maximise your own ideas and take advantage of business start-up opportunities
IBM Challenge - Take part in the world's leading event for employability and enterprise skills. The Universities Business Challenge is the premier undergraduate business competition, open to all faculties at UK universities.

- Develop your employability skills
- Develop commercial awareness across disciplines
- Helps put business theory into practice
- Enhances team-working
- Network with top employers
- Win cash prizes
- Have a lot of fun!
- Put yourself on the road to success

83% of students agree employability skills improved after participating in the UBC
STUDENT ENTERPRISE WEEK
(CANTERBURY CHRIST CHURCH UNIVERSITY)

During the period of Enterprise Week Canterbury Christ Church University will be offering students the opportunity to shadow a business professional. The purpose of ‘Work Shadowing’ is an informal experience enabling individuals to gain a deeper understanding of how businesses work, and the opportunity to gain a better insight of the different career pathways which are open to you at the end of your studies. The experience aims to help you:

• Learn management skills practiced within an organisation
• Gain knowledge of strategies and operations
• Become aware of trends in specific sectors
• To see an organisation/business in action
• Allow you make a more informed career choice

Examples of business signed up to the event:

• Shadowing in a major sports centre in Canterbury or at their head office in Whitstable.
• Erasmus for Young Entrepreneurs is an exchange programme for entrepreneurs, financed by the European Union.

• It offers you the opportunity to work alongside an experienced entrepreneur in another European Union country and strengthen the skills you need to develop your own business.

• 20 placements which can be from 1 – 6 months offered and funding will be received for this.

“From 2006, Coventry University introduced an enterprise and employability strand as a mandatory component in all courses” (Pegg et al., 2012:22)
INSTITUTE OF APPLIED ENTREPRENEURSHIP – COVENTRY (UK)

SPEED Plus (Student Placements for Entrepreneurs in Education+) offers students and graduates from any course the opportunity to develop a business idea in a supportive environment alongside their studies or after graduation.

- A small grant to help start your business
- Practical business training workshops
- Business address
- Mentoring
- Access to a hot desk for six months
- Networking opportunities
- Signposting to other sources of funding and advice
The Process

- Short application form.
- First sort, asking for more information or rejection (due to criteria).
- Invite for presentation.
- Introduction afternoon onto the programme.
- Weekend residential including workshops, presentations and networking opportunities.
- Bi weekly workshops (6 x 2 hour sessions).
- Business Consulting sessions (12 hours).
- Review presentations and individual progress reports.
Common themes in approaches to pedagogy for entrepreneurship in Dance are:

- **engagement with industry** and professional awareness are central to Dance education and enterprise training;
- **enterprise is taught through the core subject of study**, is student centred and located in the student’s personal and professional development;
- enterprise takes the form of a **process** of progressive learning through creative practice and personal development.
SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURS
HTTP://UNLTD.ORG.UK/

• £30K is currently available to students and staff who want to create social change and need support to start working on their idea.

• The two awards levels are “Try it” – up to £500 to support the testing and viability, and “Do it” – up to £5000 to get your project up and running.

• Along side the funding, mentoring is available through the university.

• 6 social enterprises from one university supported through the scheme.
What are the key characteristics of social enterprise?

- It takes an enterprising approach
- It is rooted and has a social impact in the local community
- It minimises grant dependency by generating income through trading.
- Its surpluses are re-invested to improve and increase its activities
- Ownership of its assets e.g. land, buildings and resources are locked and would be returned to the community should the organisation dissolve.
Premier Sport is very passionate about getting children playing all sorts of sports, which is an initiative that I’m fully committed to supporting.

Lawrence Dallaglio OBE, England Rugby Union Legend

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QUESTIONS?
1. Discuss and report on curricular innovation in Physical Education (if any) in your country and your institution with regards to:
   - Entrepreneurship
   - Employability

2. What are the challenges for curricular innovation in Physical Education (if any) in your country and your institution with regards to:
   - Entrepreneurship
   - Employability
WORKSHOP PROCESS

Get in groups of 3-5

- Introduce yourselves: name, country, organization/work context in PE and role
- Appoint someone to take notes and to report back to the whole group
- Discuss Questions 1 and 2
- Plenary
Thank you

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