St Andrews Research Engagement Fellowship

Research, Impact and Innovation Committee
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St Andrews Research Engagement Fellowship

• Collaboration between St Andrews and Dundee Science Centre (discussions with additional partners ongoing)

• Placing academics at the interface between scientific research and public audiences

• Gain insight into the everyday work of research engagement professionals, i.e., conceptualisation, development and delivery of:
  • activities, materials, and artefacts for effective engagement with research
  • positive relationships with visitors and proactive management of audience experience
  • educational activities with and in schools across Scotland
  • content for science festivals and similar events

• Opportunity for Fellows to develop their own research showcase
Example: Medical Marvels Exhibit
Learning and engagement resources
Benefits

- In-depth understanding of and **practical skills** in effective, impactful engagement with research.
- Learn to think about **engagement** with research **across disciplines**.
- Play an **active role** in diverse types of public engagement events.
- Become **part of a network** of communicators and public organisations that connect various communities with research.
- Increased ability to **enhance future grant proposals** by demonstrating effective engagement with research experience.
Duration

- Up to 12 weeks full-time, or equivalent part-time (e.g., multiple shorter blocks, or 1-2 days per week)
- Maximum period of one year

Funding

- 80% of staff buyout (up to £10,000) or 100% PhD student stipend fees
- Travel costs; materials/equipment for showcase (up to £500)

Eligibility

- All St Andrews academic and professional services staff
- PhD students (years 3 or 4)

Application procedure

- Application form (downloadable Word)
- HoS / Department / Unit Letter of support
- For PhD students additionally: Letter of support from their supervisor
- Submission deadline: August 31st, 2023
For any questions, please contact hor-engagement@st-andrews.ac.uk