



Dear Students, Practitioners and Academic Colleagues

It's time to celebrate!

You may be aware that the BU Social Work programme has come top (out of 74 programmes nationwide) of this year's Guardian University League tables <https://www.theguardian.com/education/ng-interactive/2020/sep/05/best-uk-universities-for-social-work-league-table>

Whilst as the BU team is mindful about what value league tables add, we are really delighted with this outcome and want to thank you for being part of what makes this programme so successful. You represent the quality of this programme and are at the heart of what makes us the best in the country. Through the Teaching Partnership we have been working together to enhance learning for students at the University and through practice teaching on placement and only this joined up approach has enabled us to get to No 1!

We would love to celebrate together, but in the circumstances raise a glass, tankard, mug, bone china teacup or personal choice of drink-wear to celebrate this fantastic achievement.

Your BU academic team

In Other News... A quick hello from your LPCs (Lecturer Practitioner Consultants)

We are very excited to announce that Danielle Hetherington- Parker is joining the Teaching Partnership as an LPC for BCP adult services. Danielle is a BU graduate and has a background in the IVP (independent, voluntary and private) sector, with a specialism in domestic abuse and an ever-present thread running throughout her work of issues of oppression, exclusion and discrimination. On returning to Bournemouth, five years ago, Danielle took up a post within ASC Policy, and you may recognise the name from her time as Branch Secretary (Strategic Lead) for

UNISON BCP. Danielle is also undertaking an MSc in Social Justice and Community Action and is keen to explore the interplay between horizontal and hierarchical organisational models and how our understanding of social action connects with the profession of social work. A passionate proponent of critically informed practice and CPD, Danielle can't wait to begin this part of our shared journey.

As LPCs have been incredibly busy setting up the Masterclasses and PELP events but on a smaller scale we are also facilitating and organising learning opportunities for practitioners, students and academics alike. Louise Downes is running the Journal Club in Wiltshire, Tilia Lenz is going to offer some input into Dorset's 'Thinking Thursdays' in future and Danielle Hetherington-Parker is going to re-introduce the 'Tea, Toast and Theory' sessions. If you have any requests on subjects that you would like to delve deeper into, would like to discuss latest research or unpick policy.... Just let us know!

We are able to access latest research, can reach out to academics and share learning with you. Tilia has just offered a whole day of training on Domestic Abuse and Violence to the new cohort of ASYEs in BCP council. Here is some feedback from a participant: *I wanted to say thank you for the session you gave on domestic abuse on Wednesday for the ASYE academy. It was very informative; you are always really engaging, and I came away feeling I had learnt a great deal and reflected a lot! So, thank you!*

We are also looking for opportunities to link you up with research and academics, so if you have any particular interests, again just get in touch.

Our LPC Tilia Lenz has been invited to speak at The Investigator Conference on County Lines on the 14.10.20. She will bring the Social Work perspective on safeguarding challenges in Adult and Children's Social Care to a Police audience and raise awareness for consistent good practice in multi-agency working.

Masterclasses



On the 22.09.20 we held Part 1 of the Introduction to Autism Masterclass with our practice colleague Liane Venus. The Webinar was incredibly successful and Liane's practice wisdom and personal experiences were well received. Here is some feedback from our colleague Judy Eeles: *'Thank you so much Liane and the rest of the team. This is so interesting, and it is easy to see how we can misjudge individuals and situations when we have a little or no specific knowledge. This will be useful I am sure when working with students and NQSW's as well. So well presented Liane with the addition of*

personal information which helps the lay person, like me, understand a little better. I am really looking forward to next week. Thank you.'

In October we are taking a little break from Masterclasses as we are running the PELP event (info below)

However, for November we have already organised a very special guest speaker:

Teaching Partnership is pleased to invite you to our next Masterclass with Dr Jade Levell, Lecturer in Criminology at Bournemouth University. This is an opportunity to hear about Jade's research and will be interesting for Adult and Children's Social Workers and professionals who want to gain more knowledge and understanding on the subject:

In this session I will share findings from my research which into the narratives of men who experienced childhood domestic violence/abuse and on-road/gang involvement. These young people are often hidden victims of DVA as by the time they come to the attention of services they are engaging in criminal and violent behaviour themselves. This issue came to my attention in my own front-line work and I explored it further in research. I am interested in how young men's experiences of DVA affect their own sense of identity and masculinity, and then how this can impact on their journey into violence themselves. Young men enacting violence can be an expression of their own vulnerabilities and I call on services to try and create opportunities for earlier intervention and masculinity-aware support to these often hidden victims.

For more information in advance of the session my personal blog site with more info is here; www.jadelevell.com

I also recently did this short 5 mins video about this topic;

<https://mypovonline.com/jadelevell/activity/4120/>

PELP- Practice Education Learning Partnership

On the 13.10.20 we are holding our Webinar on Emotional Intelligence:

'The capacity to be aware of, control, and express one's emotions, and to handle interpersonal relationships judiciously and empathetically'.

'Emotional intelligence is the key to both personal and professional success' – Oxford Dictionaries

The Teaching Partnership is inviting you to take part in our online event on Emotional Intelligence. The discussion will be led by the practitioner expert Esmee Samara, who will be joined by Louise Downes, Lecturer Practitioner Consultant and Nina Akther, Workforce Development officer BCP council.

They will discuss the relevance of Emotional Intelligence in Social Work education and how Practice Educators can support students to develop their EI- even during the Covid-19 pandemic.

For all of the above and future events, check out the events part of our website <https://pdwtp.org.uk/events/>

Research Updates

Covid 19 has impacted yet again on policy and law making and is further putting pressures on multi agency services. So, we have extended our survey to keep track of your experiences, your worries and hopes for the futures. In case you have already filled out the brief survey in the past, please feel free to update us on the developments in your practice. This is your chance to be heard! <https://bournemouth.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/the-impact-of-the-covid-19-pandemic-on-social-work>

And now as Autumn is well and truly here and we are facing this 'brave new world' with uncertainties, possible worries and anxieties around Covid 19, we thought you may appreciate the 'Growth Mindset' that our colleagues from BASW have shared with us.

We wish you all the best,

Take care

Your LPC team

DEVELOPING A GROWTH MINDSET

INSTEAD OF...	TRY THINKING...
I'm not good at this.	What am I missing? 🤔
I give up.	I'll use a different strategy.
It's good enough.	Is this really my best work? 📌
I can't make this any better.	I can always improve.
This is too hard.	This may take some time.
I made a mistake.	Mistakes help me learn.
I just can't do this.	I'm going to train my brain.
I'll never be that smart.	I'll learn how to do this.
Plan A didn't work.	There's always a Plan B.
My friend can do it.	I'll learn from them.

The Power of the **GROWTH MINDSET** says, 'I believe in you, give it a try, you just haven't gotten it, YET !! You will !!'

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