



**UNIVERSITY of
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**2025 UW Learning and Teaching Conference:
Student Belonging at Worcester: Maximising Pastoral
and Pedagogical Approaches for Building Success**

17th & 18th June 2025 | St John's Campus



Call for Submissions

The theme for the 2025 University of Worcester Learning and Teaching Conference is:

Developing a Sense of Belonging and Mattering within a Diverse Community: How Pastoral and Pedagogical Support can be used to Enhance the Student Experience and Success

We invite colleagues to consider how their teaching practices and the wider sector have responded to this changing environment and to share their research and insights into key interventions that have made a difference to the continuation and success of our students.

We would particularly welcome contributions that reflect the objectives set out in the [University of Worcester Access and Participation Plan](#).

We invite proposals showcasing practice or offering a critical insight into aspects of the priorities listed above from all staff and students at the University of Worcester, partner colleges and the wider academic community in one of the following formats:

- **Oral presentation** - Oral presentations should aim to give a summary of a piece of research or a project and should last up to 15 minutes. Time for questions/discussion (5 minutes) will be provided at the end of each presentation.
- **Workshop** - If you are interested in hosting a 45-minute workshop, please outline its connection to the theme, what colleagues would get from participation and any specific room or equipment requirements.

Abstracts should be no more than **250 words (including references)** and will be reviewed by a staff review panel.

Criteria for acceptance

To be selected for the conference, the proposed contribution will need to:

- have clear relevance to the overall conference theme,
- be written with clarity so that the content and purpose is easily understood by the review panel and by conference delegates,
- have a clear rationale, with the research or evidence base provided,
- clearly describe the intended benefits and impact
- ensure accuracy of any citations.

Submissions

Abstracts can be submitted via the [online form](#).

The closing date for submissions is 17:00 on Friday 7 March 2025. Submissions received after this date will not be accepted. Applicants will be notified of the outcome in April 2025.

Registration

Registration instructions and other information will be available on the conference webpage. Please continue to check the webpage for updates.

For queries, please contact ltconference@worc.ac.uk.

