

CETL-MSOR 2015: Sustaining Excellence

The 2015 CETL-MSOR Conference will be held on **Tuesday 8 September – Wednesday 9 September 2015** at the [University of Greenwich, London](#).

Titled “Sustaining Excellence”, the conference will explore ways in which learning and teaching in MSOR is meeting this challenge whilst navigating the ever changing higher education landscape.

The Academic Programme

The principal themes of the conference will be:

- Large lectures: a thing of the past?
- Flipped classrooms and other innovations: are they practical? Affordable?
- Teaching mathematics and statistics in other disciplines
- Assessment and feedback
- The impact of changes in pre-University mathematics qualifications
- Preparing students for careers and a lifetime of learning
- Developments in mathematics and statistics support.

Interesting contributions from other areas of learning and teaching of MSOR will also be welcomed. The call for abstracts is now open and colleagues can submit an abstract for a 20 minute presentation, a 60 minute workshop or a poster. Abstracts should be submitted via the following link: [CETL-MSOR 2015 abstracts](#) (Google Form).

The deadline for submission is **Friday 5th June 2015** and notification of acceptance will be provided on **Friday 10th July 2014**.

We are delighted to announce our confirmed keynote speakers, Professor Les Ebdon (Director of Fair Access to Higher Education, the Office for Fair Access (OFFA)) and Professor John MacInnes (Professor of Sociology and Associate Dean Quantitative Methods, University of Edinburgh). As with previous years, we also intend to have a student-led keynote session.

Registration and Delegate Fees

Registration is open from 19th March 2015. Follow the link below to access the Loughborough University online booking system (*you will need to create an account to book*):

[register here](#)

The delegate fees for 2015 are as follows:

| 2015 Fee rate | Standard Accommodation included | Hotel Accommodation included | Accommodation not included: |
|-----------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Early bird rate | £199 | £274 | £140 |
| Full conference rate | £250 | £325 | £130 |
| Day rate | n/a | n/a | £90 |
| Student rate (2 days) | £150 | £225 | £100 |

Note the early bird rate is available until **Friday 3rd July 2015** and general booking closes on **Friday 28th August 2015**.

Delegate Accommodation Options

Every effort has been made to keep the delegate fees as low as possible. As such, we are offering two types of accommodation for those requiring it. The options are located close to each other and are approximately 15 minutes walk from the conference venue. Breakfast will be provided at both locations.

The **standard accommodation package** includes one night's accommodation at the [Daniel Defoe Halls of Residence](#), 10 Lovibond Lane, London SE10 9FY (located near the corner of Waller Way and Greenwich High Road next to the Greenwich DLR station – if searching for the location online, you may wish to use SE10 8JA which is next to the hall as the actual postcode is new and may not register in searches). Although there is no car parking at Daniel Defoe Hall, the hall is located next to the Greenwich rail and DLR station and public transport links locally and into the capital are excellent – by bus, train and DLR (which links to the Tube).

The **hotel accommodation package** includes one night's accommodation at the [Novotel London Greenwich](#) hotel, 173-185 Greenwich High Road, London SE10 8JA. We have managed to secure a limited number of rooms, which will be allocated on a "first come, first served" basis. The Hotel is also next to the Greenwich rail and DLR station. Parking is available at the hotel at your own cost.

For those interested in finding your own accommodation, here is a list of local hotels, which may have availability:

Devonport House: <http://www.devevenues.co.uk/en/venues/devonport-house/>

Ibis Greenwich Hotel: <http://www.ibis.com/gb/hotel-0975-ibis-london-greenwich/index.shtml>

The Clarendon Hotel: www.clarendonhotel.com

Premier Inn London Greenwich: <http://www.premierinn.com/en/hotel/LONGRE/london-greenwich>

Monday 7th September 2015

We have also secured a number of rooms on Monday 7th September (the evening before the start of the conference). These can be booked during the online booking process for an additional charge.

The Social Programme

Delegates will be offered the opportunity to partake in a tailored talk at the Peter Harrison Planetarium at the [Royal Observatory](#), which is located in Greenwich Park at the top of a steep hill. It is about 15-20 minutes walk from the conference location at Queen Anne Building, although delegates should note that the hill is very steep especially towards the top. It is also about 20 minutes walk from the conference accommodation. Transport will be provided from the delegate accommodation on Greenwich High Street for those who require it.

Please indicate whether you are interested in attending this talk when you go through the online booking process.

Following the visit to the Peter Harrison Planetarium, the conference dinner will take place in the [King William Undercroft](#) on the University of Greenwich campus.

Conference Location

The conference will take place on [the First Floor of Queen Anne Building](#), University of Greenwich, Old Royal Naval College, Park Row, London SE10 9LS. There is lift access available.

Docklands Light Railway (DLR)

Cutty Sark DLR Station is located in the heart of Greenwich town centre and a two minute walk to the campus West Gate entrance. Direct services run from Bank, Canary Wharf, Lewisham and Stratford and easy connections are available from Tower Gateway, Beckton and London City Airport. Please refer to the Greenwich Campus Plan and the Campus Explorer for help with directions to the campus.

London Underground (Tube)

For connections from the Tube network, the quickest option is to alight at Canary Wharf station on the Jubilee Line and get a DLR Lewisham bound train to Cutty Sark station.

River services

Thames Clippers provides a regular boat service from Westminster to Greenwich Pier (adjacent to the Old Royal Naval College) stopping at various locations on route. The journey takes 35 minutes in total and is possibly the fastest way to travel from Central London.

Car Parking

There is no parking available on-campus other than for Blue Badge holders who will need to apply for a free permit. There is a public car park in [Park Row](#) just outside the campus. Greenwich Council provides information on parking here and elsewhere in Greenwich.

Conference contacts

All enquiries regarding the CETL-MSOR 2015 conference should be directed to cetlmsor2015@gmail.com in the first instance.

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