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## Here's how we support our college members

Advance HE Affiliate membership supports colleges with HE provision to be the best they can be. We understand how important college based higher education is to the communities they serve, and the impact colleges have on our society as a whole.

"Our Advance HE Membership has played a significant role in shaping our institution into a thriving hub of learning and innovation fostered at all levels. With this membership, we can continue to push boundaries and break barriers, ensuring that our students continue to receive the very highest quality education possible in the sector."

**Alex Mortby**, Vice Principal, Curriculum and Higher Education, The Bedford College Group and University Centre

#### We support our college members with:

#### Fellowship

Investing in Fellowship for your colleagues demonstrates commitment to teaching, learning and the student experience, and shows your staff that you value their professional development, and their teaching practice. Our members get significant discounts on Fellowship applications, and can access a whole range of resources to support applications and developing an institutional scheme. The impact of AdvanceHE membership on our institution has been high. The fellowship scheme has been very well received and is helping to raise aspiration.

**Dr Jo Kear**, Director of Higher Education, SGS College

#### **Governance support**

Advance HE has been supporting institutions of all sizes with good governance via guidance, research and courses for 20 years. This year, we are developing a series of videos outlining the challenges and opportunities for good governance in college based higher education.

#### Access to new resources and networks

All of our members get access to an annual program of webinars, events and new resources which seek to provide support and best practice around contemporary challenges. Many of these projects offer individuals the opportunity to connect with outside of their organisation and within other HE settings.

Members also get access to the <u>CBHE Network</u>, which runs the annual CBHE Network Festival to bring the community together to discuss widening participation, teaching and learning methods, mental health, research engagement, artificial intelligence (AI), precarious employment, and HEI-SME alliances.

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We have had the opportunity to network with a wide range of smaller institutions providing HE programmes. We have felt able to share our experience of delivering HE and some of the challenges of providing quality learning experiences with smaller cohorts. We have been able to gain some insight into the issues that college-based providers have had in trying to fight for the necessary resources to run programmes and the recognition that scholarly activity is a necessary adjunct to the delivery of high quality HE.

Dr Tracey McClean, Head of the Institute of Health and Social Care Studies, Executive Director of the Guernsey Institute, States of Guernsey

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