

Abstract

Does change mean progress? The challenge for Higher Education

"Change is inevitable, but progress depends on what we do with that change" - Charles Whelan.

As mentioned in the call for contributions, the extent and pace of change in higher education has increased dramatically over the last few years and there is no sign of this slowing down. So what do we change, how do we influence change? As individuals, as educational developers and as an association of staff developers we can be in a very influential position when it comes to change.

We all come from different institutions, different structures, different levels of resources at our disposal. Investment in resources and funding is crucial when it comes to change. How can we optimise this investment at a local, national and international level to ensure change results in progress. This session will outline approaches involving teaching and learning that Dublin City University (DCU) have taken to manage these changes, embrace them in order to progress while ensuring that the end of goal of student learning is always foremost in our minds.