

Liverpool Technical Network 5 Year Anniversary



Launched 2019 & Re-launched mid 2021

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Where did it all Start?



The University of Manchester

**Creating a technical network –
The University of Manchester approach**

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Wednesday 19th September 2018



Rae Watkins
Cassandra Hodgkinson
Technical Operations Managers within the
Faculty of Biology, Medicine and Health

PROUD SUPPORTER OF THE
Technician Commitment



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**Enhanced Student
Learning
Through Improved
Technician-Academic
Collaboration**

*Tony Topping
Technical Support
School of Engineering*

- Presentation at ONE PS conference 2018
- Initial discussion with Paul Gilbert & Angela Simms
- Presentation from University of Manchester TEaM @ TLF 2018
- Pulling together a group of people to discuss advancing the role of technicians.
- This group became the first Steering group

Steering Group previous members

Massive thanks!!

Hazel Cook-Higgins: HLS

Lara Gerrard: HSS

Deian Shaw S&E

Liam Blacklock: HLS

Catherine Unsworth S&E

• **Tony Topping S&E**

Stephen Bretland HSS

Mhairi Birchall S&E

Lynne Ellwood HLS

Angela Simms HLS

Emma Gutierrez-Waldron
HLS

Mike Knapper HLS

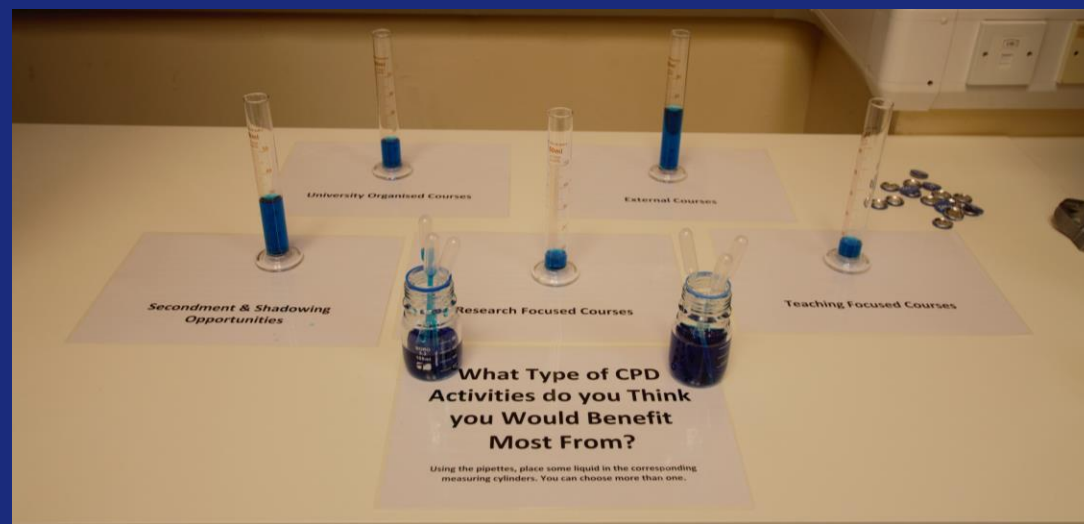
Callum Ross HLS



Network Launch Event 2019



- **Jane Banks, Science Council:** Professional registration How & Why
- **Suhel Miah, HEaTED:** Development opportunities available to staff
- **Paul Gilbert, UoL:** Technicians Commitment
- **Matt Murphy, UoL:** The inclusion of technical staff in developing and delivering teaching
- **Interactive feedback session & networking.**



Technically Speaking



- **Technician Bios:** Interviews with technicians from across campus about their work
- **Technical Excellence:** In-depth pieces covering exceptional projects lead by technicians.
- **Technician related News**
- **Upcoming events & development opportunities**

Technical Network Steering Group Current members

Heath Bagshaw S&E
Aron Barras HLS
Mike Bayliss HSS
Jenny Bradley S&E
Jan Brett HLS



Sarah Gare S&E
Josh Hicks S&E
Lukasz Lukomski HLS
Sarah Northey HLS
Karen Ryan HLS
Valerie Tilston HLS



We are Technicians – Christmas series

Wednesday 15th December 2021 – Online!

John Cameron Farm Manager Leahurst

Marc Bratley Tech Supervisor Engineering

Carmel Pinnington Tech Manager Environmental Sciences

Video from Histories Languages and Culture Technicians

Wednesday 14th December 2022 - in person

George Anyfantis Senior Technician SOBS

Karen Ryan Technician CIMI

Kelly Eyre Vet Nurse ILCAMS

Wednesday 22nd December 2023- in person

Iuliana Maciuca – Technician now RTP VAPP

Mike Bayliss – Technician HLC

Heath Bagshaw – RTP S&E



THANK YOU!

Career Development and Progression Workshop

March 2022

Career planning – Matt Davis
Transferrable skills – Paul Gilbert
Career Progression – Tony Topping
Professional registration – Sarah Northey
Herschell Leadership programme –
Valentina Iorio



Workplace Tours

2019

School of Environment Sciences
Materials Innovation Factory



2023

School of Engineering
Small Animal Teaching Hospital
Liverpool University Biobank



2024

Tung Auditorium
School of Architecture



Outreach

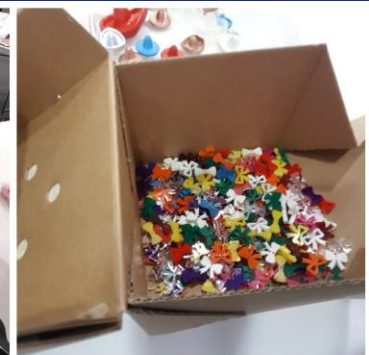
Birkenhead 6th form College Careers fair past 3 years
Liverpool College Careers fair past 2 years





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Showcase 2019





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Showcases 2023



Technician's award for excellence 2024

Rob Clowes, Rachael Bell, Sarah Northey



Technician's award for excellence 2024

HARC, Kalambo falls, MIF



Funded Travel: HETS and Herschell leadership programme



Coming soon! Tech Talk Podcasts!



Technical Network Hub

The Technicians Hub - Researcher Hub - University of Liverpool

Here you will find information about what The Academy is doing to promote the Technician Commitment, how technical excellence is already in practice at and how to develop as a member of the Technical Community.

Technicians Development - Researcher Hub - University of Liverpool

Technicians are entitled to attend development activities provided by The Academy, the Safety Team and the Computing Services Department. Also available to technicians are teaching training and access to the Mentoring Network.

Technicians Development Fund - Researcher Hub - University of Liverpool

The fund is held centrally by The Academy and is to provide grants to support a developmental activity, event or project which will improve, enhance, or develop our technicians and the wider technical community.