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Education Research Seminar

The Education Research Centre and School of Education invite you to discuss:

What's wrong with teacher mentoring and coaching?

with Andy Hobson

Kerry Doyle

and Melanie Norman

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Thursday 11 December, 2014, 3-4.30pm. A501, Checkland Building, Falmer



Mentoring is increasingly important in the initial preparation and subsequent professional learning and development of teachers, but what's involved in doing it well? In this session, Andy Hobson and Kerry Doyle draw on recent research across the primary, secondary and FE sectors to show that – and why – the quality of mentoring is highly variable. Mel Norman will discuss the development of a website section on mentoring for the Geographical Association. Active participation and contribution of views and experiences will be encouraged. The seminar will not be recorded to encourage free expression in discussing this crucial issue.

Professor Andy Hobson is Head of the Education Research Centre and was previously Research Professor in Education at Sheffield Hallam University. His research focuses on the experiences of and support for the professional learning and development of teachers, especially trainee, newly and recently qualified teachers. He has particular interests in teacher wellbeing and mentoring.

Kerry Doyle is Senior Lecturer in the School of Education where his role includes co-ordinating the PGCE post-compulsory courses across a local partnership of FE colleges. His research interests include the language of teaching, teacher identity and evidence-based learning.

Melanie Norman is Route Leader for the PGCE (Secondary) Geography in the School of Education with research interests including pupils' perception of the school geography curriculum, transitions in geography and the construction of the key stage 3 geography curriculum in schools. She is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society/Institute of British Geographers and an active member of the Geographical Association.

All welcome but places are limited so please register your attendance [click here](#)

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