

Public and Community Engagement Newsletter, September 2023

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Welcome to the Research and Enterprise Public and Community Engagement newsletter

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Salford Impact Report - Hot off the Press!



Our new Salford Impact Report was published this month. It showcases examples of our research impact and our work with partners, in the UK and beyond. It provides key facts and figures for various types of engagement as well as highlighting many impactful public and community

PUBLIC AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT HIGHLIGHT

Salford Business School is working with the community group Leigh Means Business to raise the profile of Leigh and improve the image of the town centre, increasing visitor numbers, improving the local economy, and reducing antisocial behaviour. This partnership enables Leigh Means Business to broaden and deepen their business development offer to the businesses of Leigh, with projects also providing opportunities for Salford's students to put their learning into action working alongside business owners

CASE STUDY

SALFORD INFORMATION AND LEGAL KNOWLEDGE SCHEME (SILKS)



PROBLEM: Legal advice can be expensive, and inaccessible for some individuals and families.

SOLUTION: The SILKS law clinic provides free legal services for members of the local Salford community. It is run by students from the University of Salford, with oversight from practising solicitors/law lecturers. SILKS services include housing and family law advice and workshops for those preparing for an employment tribunal. Support and practical assistance related to Universal Credit or PIP benefit hearings are also available.

OUTCOME: The clinic has a network of core referral partners, including Salford City Council, Salford Foundation and Salford Citizens Advice Bureau. Partners supporting our clinic work include Fieldings Porter, Ward Hadaway, TNT Solicitors, and new for the 2023/24 academic year Forbes Solicitors and Fieldfisher. SILKS handled over 200 housing and family law referrals in 2022, with an estimated advice value of over £100,000.

engagement projects and case studies detailing a range of other initiatives across our schools. Here are a few:

Read the full report here: [Salford Impact report](#)

Over the last three years (2019-2020 – 2021-2022), we have engaged our partners to deliver:

950+
Public and community events delivered, attracting over two million attendees

Please share with partners. Some paper copies are available from the R&KE offices. Please contact d.williamson2@salford.ac.uk to arrange to pick one up.

Updated Engagement Tool Kits are now Available

We have updated our suite of **Research Engagement Toolkits** over the summer, and these are now available to access and cover the following areas:

Coordinating Engagement Activity at Salford, which provides an overview of the importance of public & community engagement at Salford and offers a step-by-step guide to organising your event, from pre-notification to post-evaluation stage. [Access directly here](#)

Getting Started with Impact, which provides an overview of what research impact is, identifying your beneficiaries, generating your impact pathways and capturing/evidencing your impact. [Access directly here](#)

Working with Government and Influencing Policy, which provides an overview of how to get started with policy engagement, from identifying and engaging with policy makers to building engagement and evaluation into project design [Access directly here](#)

Another useful resource that has been created on the staff hub recently is **Setting up and running your event on campus: Events at Salford: Everything you need to know (sharepoint.com)**.

Engagement with Impact Case Studies

Find out more here:
[Engagement with Impact Case Studies \(sharepoint.com\)](#)

Academics can apply for **up to £4K in funding** to support research impact for an existing project, research development or research dissemination and public engagement activities.

We have created a new series of case studies that highlight projects funded through our Research Impact and Public Engagement Fund (RIPE). The studies are taken from the end of grant reports submitted by the project leads and give an over view of why the money was required, what it was spent on and the impact it had on the research.

We hope these will help give a more transparent over view about they types of projects the fund has supported and will inspire future applications.

We will continue to add case studies from 2022/23 throughout the year to give a broader account of how the types of projects that have been funded.

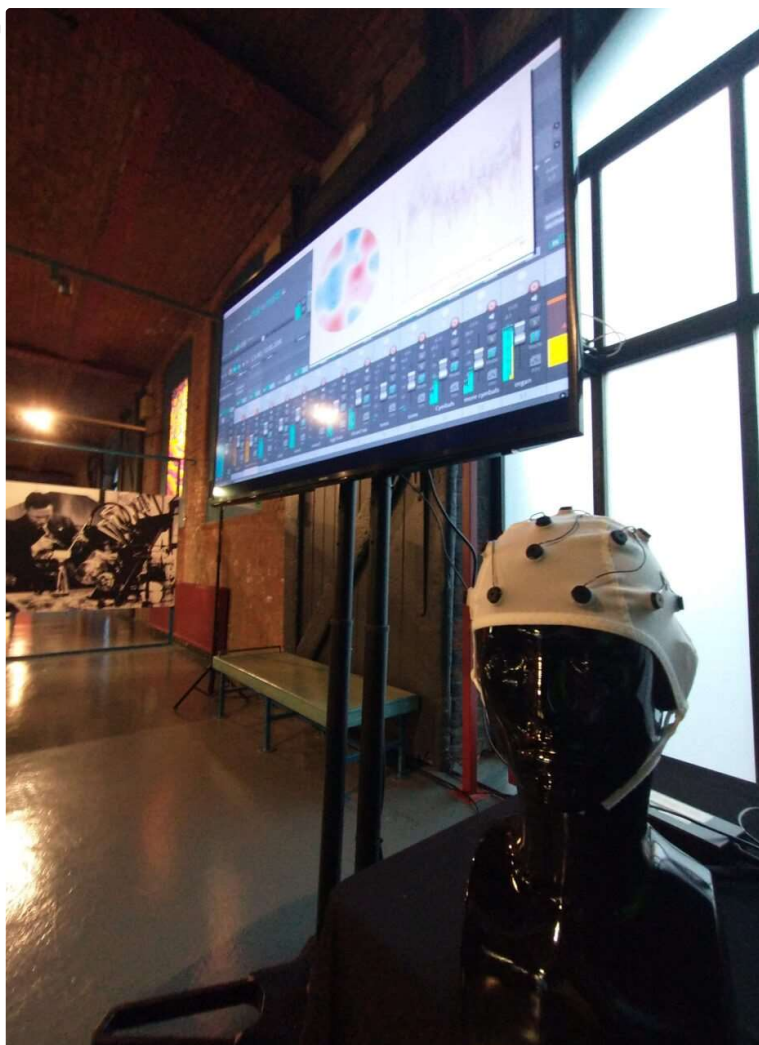
You can find out more about the RIPE fund here: [Research Impact & Public Engagement Fund \(sharepoint.com\)](#).

Boom! Turn it Up - Engagement with Acoustics Research

Research carried out by Duncan Williams, Senior Lecturer in Acoustics & Audio Engineering has been featured in two high profile public exhibitions that explore how sound and music impact or everyday lives.

As part of *Boom: Experiments in Sound* at The National Science and Media Museum in Bradford Duncan presented 'Machine Listener' as part of an exhibition where you could experience the sensation of sound, learn how it shapes our everyday lives, and follow the journey of a soundwave.

Most recently the work was show at *Turn it Up! The Power of Music*, a hands on, ears open exhibition at Manchester Science Museum exploring the science of music's mysterious hold over us and how it drives us to create, perform, feel and share. The exhibition explored how technological advancements continue to push the limits of music and make playing music more accessible for everyone.



After a hugely popular run in Manchester, Turn it Up: The Power of Music will be exhibited at Science Museum in London from this autumn where the work will reach even more people allowing them to explore how music shapes their lives.

Find out more here: [Music Lates | Science Museum](#)



Read the full article on our blog [*Boom, Turn It Up! – Public engagement with acoustics research – Research and Engagement with Impact \(salford.ac.uk\)*](#)

The 2023 Festival of Social Science

21 October - 17 November

Salford Academics will once again be taking part in the annual Festival of Social Science teaming up with University of Manchester and Manchester Metropolitan University to produce the Manchester Festival of Social Science. The festival explores the world of social science, from how society has shaped our local areas to behaviours that help fight climate change. This year a number of our [events](#) will focus on [lifelong wellbeing](#), exploring mental and physical health at all ages and celebrating the 75th anniversary of the NHS.



The festival runs from Saturday 21 October to Friday 17 November with events across the UK, both virtually and in person, for all ages and tastes.

Join us for the Manchester Festival of Social Science Launch Event

Wed, 11 Oct 2023 14:00 - 16:00

Kanaris Theatre, Manchester Museum Oxford Road
Manchester M13 9PL

Book your free place here: [Manchester ESRC Festival of Social Sciences Launch Event Tickets, Wed 11 Oct 2023 at 14:00 | Eventbrite](#)

Have a look at the full programme of events from Salford Academics here: [University of Salford | Events | Festival of Social Science](#)

Community of Practice for Engagement

Community of Practice #4 Salford Art Collection

Our first Community of Practice for Engagement of the new academic year took place earlier this month in conjunction with the Engagement Forum. We welcomed the Salford Art Collection team to talk about the engagement work they do with the University art collection working in collaboration with external partners including galleries in the North West and internally with facilities such as Energy House 2.0.

The presentation covered their approach to collecting and commissioning new work and how they are working with artists in residence to make new work in response to our research and utilising the University's facilities.

Catch up with Community of Practice for Engagement #4 via our teams site here:
[Community of Practice for Engagement 4 with Arts Collection Team-2023 24 \(incorporating Community of Practice\)-20230913 143354-Meeting Recording.mp4](#)

Learn more about the University of Salford Art Collection Here:
<https://artcollection.salford.ac.uk/>

Community of Practice #5: Increasing your engagement with Worktribe & Figshare

26th October - 2-3pm

Meet Wendy and Jamal, University of Salford's Open Research team, who will discuss how open research can increase your the impact of and engagement with your research.

As managers of institutional research repositories Worktribe and Figshare, Wendy and Jamal will guide you through how these open research platforms create benefits in wider impact and engagement activities.

Come and learn how open research and wider public engagement will enhance your career, development, and worldwide research impact

To book a place email: d.williamson2@salford.ac.uk

***Save the date:
15th November 2-3pm - SILKS Law Clinic***

News Just In... KEF3 Highlights:

These include considerably improving our placing for Public and Community Engagement from very low engagement (quintile one) in KEF and KEF2 to high engagement (quintile four) in KEF3, for the Public & Community Engagement perspective.

To use a football analogy, that is like getting fast track promotion from the National League to Championship!

Find out more in the full article below.

https://testlivesalfordac.sharepoint.com/sites/UoS_Staff/SitePages/KEF3-Results--Salford-achieves-further-success-in-the-Knowledge-Exchange-Framework.aspx

KEF3 Results: Salford achieves further success in the Knowledge Exchange Framework

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Dear Colleagues, Today, the results of the third iteration of the Knowledge Exchange Framework (KEF3) have been released and I am delighted to share with you some of the key areas of activity (known as 'perspectives') where Salford has been particul...

Plse Help with HE-BCI!

To help and support our upward trajectory to the Premier League of KEF, a.k.a, very high engagement (quintile five), **please report your contributions to engagement activities for 2022/23 to The Higher Education Business and Community Interaction (HE-BCI) survey via our new capture form:**

HE-BCI record 2022/23 Social, community and cultural engagement: Public Events Capture Form

forms.office.com

The Higher Education Business and Community Interaction (HE-BCI) survey collects financial and output data related to knowledge exchange each academic year. The purpose of this form is to capture information on social, community and cultural events intended for the external community. It is designed to measure the impact of activities where financial income is an inappropriate proxy for impact.

This month's events - not to be missed!

Pongo Calling - A Romany Love Story from Contemporary Europe (Film with Q&A)

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Štefan Pongo is a Roma lorry driver. Fifteen years ago, he emigrated from the Czech Republic to the UK with his family to shield them from the open racial discrimination there. The children have since graduated from university and the family is doing...

Microcosmic Installation at Museum After Hours

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Explore the museum after hours at this special adult-only, evening event. Amazing offer! Staff and Students at Univeristy of Salford get £5 (half price) tickets with this discount code UOS50. Play your way through 50 years of video games in Power Up—t...

This will be the third TEDx event to be held at the University of Salford, and we hope that we can create an annual event that will employ the skills of students and individuals from all disciplines within the University of Salford and beyond. In the...

Browse all engagement events happening across Salford on our new events calendar

Check out our engagement events page, bookmark the page and add events to your calendar

[See all](#)

+ Add event

SEP 11 DEC 22	Craig Easton: Is Anybody Listening? - Exhibition Mon, 11 Sep, All day	OCT 3	New Adelphi Comedy Night Tue, 3 Oct, 19:30	OCT 5	Microcosmic Installation at Museum After Hours Thu, 5 Oct, 18:00
OCT 6	We, All, Us In the Room - MA Degree Show 2023 Fri, 6 Oct, 16:30	OCT 6	Music at Salford - FESTIVITY Fri, 6 Oct, 19:30	OCT 10	Environmental Visualisation AQA Course Tue, 10 Oct, 13:00
OCT 11	Manchester ESRC Festival of Social Sciences Launch Event Wed, 11 Oct, 14:00	OCT 14	Pongo Calling - A Romany Love Story from Contemporary Europe (Film with Q&A) Sat, 14 Oct, 19:30	OCT 17	Environmental Visualisation AQA Course Tue, 17 Oct, 13:00
OCT 18	UKRIO Subscriber Only Introduction to Research Integrity Webinar Wed, 18 Oct, 10:00	OCT 18	Life is Rosie Wed, 18 Oct, 19:00	OCT 19	Tech Truck Launch Thu, 19 Oct, 10:00
OCT 20	A Room of One's Own Fri, 20 Oct, 19:30	OCT 21 NOV 17	The 2023 Festival of Social Science Sat, 21 Oct, All day	OCT 21	TED-X Salford 23 Sat, 21 Oct, 11:00
OCT 25	THE SCATTERED COLLECTIVE: WORLD MUSIC ENSEMBLE PERFORM IN CELEBRATION OF BLACK HISTORY MONTH Wed, 25 Oct, 12:00	OCT 25	SHED Wed, 25 Oct, 20:30	OCT 26	Community of Practice for Engagement #4: Increasing your engagement with Worktribe & Figshare Thu, 26 Oct, 10:00
OCT 27	Watch US Dance Fri, 27 Oct, 19:00	NOV 1	Music at Salford Open Session Wed, 1 Nov, 13:00		

If you would like your event adding to the calendar, please email d.williamson2@salford.ac.uk with short copy and good image or let me know if you would like support creating this.

Contact Us

For more information or to discuss any aspect of Public and Community Engagement at Salford, please get in touch with Dan Williamson.

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Research and Engagement with Impact Blog: REF2021 Results with Impact - Research and Engagement with Impact (salford.ac.uk)

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More Engagement Resources on our staff hub site: Public & Community Engagement (sharepoint.com)

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