News from Head of School

Carole Goble gains CBE in New Year’s Honours list

Happy New year!

The first news of the year is that Carole Goble has been awarded a CBE – congratulations Carole!


http://journalofwebsemantics.blogspot.co.uk/2013/12/carole-goble-awarded-cbe-for-services.html

Do you use Social Media for work?

A message from Elly White in External Relations, EPS:

I’m helping to collect information about all the Social Media used within the EPS Faculty for the University’s new Social Media Manager. If you have any kind of social media account or blog that you use to talk about your work (or the work of your department/research group) at the University could you please send me an email letting me know who you are and a link to your site.

Digital Economy Programme Advisory Board – call for members 31 Jan 2014

Closing date: 31 January 2014

The RCUK Digital Economy Theme is currently recruiting new members to the Digital Economy Programme Advisory Board (PAB). The recruitment process is completely open; individuals may nominate themselves for membership or they may be nominated by colleagues or other bodies (universities, companies, learned/professional societies etc.). Please let Sarah Chatwin know if you apply.

Library News January 2014

Feeling the Pressure? Library Wellbeing & Revision Workshops 8th-17th January

During January the library is running a series of clinics and workshops to support you through the busy exam period. Book onto one of revision clinics to hone your academic skills or take a break and sample one of our wellbeing activities to help you relax and focus those exam nerves:

http://www.library.manchester.ac.uk/aboutus/librarywellbeing

Eureka! Library Innovation Challenge 2014 – This is your moment to innovate!

Do you have an innovative idea to enhance the customer experience with in the University Library? Enter our Eureka! Innovation Challenge and you could win up to £1,000! Unlock your vision for an opportunity to showcase your idea to our specialist panel – get thinking, get applying, you could have the winning idea! See details of last year’s winning ideas and how to apply: http://www.library.manchester.ac.uk/aboutus/eureka
### Events

**The British Education System**  
7 Jan 14  
Ian Bradley (head of Academic Services)  
14:00-15:30, B18b, SSB

This session has been devised largely (but not exclusively) for staff from outside the UK who may like to know about provision in the UK, both in primary and secondary schools and Further and Higher Education, either as a grounding for understanding the experience and expectations of our students or/and for their own families. For more information and to attend the event please contact Lynn Davies.

**International Centre for Social Media Research: Workshops**  
9 & 20 Jan 14

Events:
- 09 January 2014, 11-17:00, Atlas 1&2, Kilburn building  
- 20 January 2014, 10-17:00, Atlas 1&2, Kilburn building  
Manchester Informatics are running 2 workshops, which will help to inform a bid for an ESRC funded International Centre for Social Media Research. The first workshops will cover **Technical Challenges** such as data management, tools and methods, including data analytics and visualization; the second, **Substantive Themes**. Registration required.

**Exploring Big Data using Visual Computing**  
14 Jan 14  
Marriot Hotel, Cardiff

This workshop is being organised by RIVIC ‘The Wales Research Institute of Visual Computing’. The event will create a group to submit a proposal to the ‘Data exploration: creating insight and value’ TSB competition for collaborative R&D funding January 2014 (see 16 Dec School Newsletter for details). To register for this event - please email your details to Jo Mitchell.

**Workshop Descriptor 3**  
22 Jan 14  
Rosemary Tomkinson and Anna Hiley  
12-14:00, room D45A, SSB

A session for experienced academic staff interested in making applications for Fellowship/Senior Fellowship of the Higher Education Academy (see: [www.heacademy.ac.uk](http://www.heacademy.ac.uk)). For more information and to attend the event please contact Lynn Davies.

**Frontiers of computer simulation in chemistry and materials science**  
6-7 Feb 14  
The Royal Society at Chicheley Hall, Buckinghamshire

The Royal Society is hosting this event, the Theo Murphy international scientific meeting on the application of computer simulation to complex systems. Majority of the session are on chemistry simulation; there’s also a talk from Prof. Sharon Glotzer (University of Michigan) on Assembly and packing on GPUs. You must [request an invitation for this event](#).

**Human Behaviour Understanding Participation Workshop**  
13 Jan/21 Feb 14  
Mi will be hosting a multi-disciplinary workshop on "Understanding Participation", designed to consider a range of models for analysing and evaluating public participation, whether in virtual or face to face interactions. They are looking for individuals who are interested in sharing their models, frameworks or examples of their application to join them and participate.

**Deadline:** Monday 13 January 2014  
**Workshop:** Friday 21 February 2014 10-14:00  
**Venue:** TBC  
[More information and registration](#)
Funding Opportunities

Research Support Office

Please contact us through researchsupportcsm@manchester.ac.uk. There is information about support for grant writing, submission and successful examples at http://staffnet.cs.manchester.ac.uk/reso/ and through EPS. The EPS blog The Word contains features News, Events and comment relevant to Postgraduate Researchers, Research Staff and Supervisors or PIs.

Important: Changes in EU Funding Opportunities

Information sessions and draft documents are becoming available for Horizon2020 (the successor of FP7 EU programme). EU research funding is important for the School so please keep an eye-out for information – calls are expected to open at the end of the year.

Reminder - H2020 drafts available

EU funding-related documents are placed by the University's EU team at: http://documents.manchester.ac.uk/search.aspx

The easiest way to find these documents is to search using the keyword: 'Horizon 2020'

A great resource recommended by the ICT National Contact Point is http://www.ictic.org/, which also provides handy overview documents.

TSB Data Exploration - event and funding 7 Jan 14

- Registration: noon 26 February 2014
- Closing date: noon 5 March 2014

Big Data is one of the UK’s eight great technologies and a lot of funding will become available in this area. The TSB is looking to fund collaborative and business-led industrial research projects (including at least one SME), of £100-500k, for between six and 24 months. Academic researchers can act as partners and attendance at the briefing event is strongly advised; a webinar is also available. Register for the event.

Tools and services for synthetic biology 15 Jan 14

- Registration: 8 January 2014
- Closing date: 15 January 2014

The Technology Strategy Board (TSB), BBSRC, EPSRC, and the Welsh Government are investing up to £3.8m in business-led collaborative projects to develop innovative tools and services for the UK synthetic biology industry. Between £100k and £350k is available per project (up to 1yr).

Digital Economy Fellowships 31 Jan 14

Closing date: 31 January 2014

The RCUK Digital Economy Theme is looking to fund and support fellows working in DE priority areas from October 2014. Awards can be up to 5 years in duration and applicants should request the resources they need to deliver the DE research of their proposed fellowship.

Intentions to submit must be emailed in advance to DigitalEconomy@epsrc.ac.uk.

For further guidance, please contact DigitalEconomy@epsrc.ac.uk or Ben Rendell on 01793 444540.

High Value Manufacturing – Electronics Expected: early 2014

In early 2014, TSB (Technology Strategy Board) will launch a competition in High Value Manufacturing – Electronics. There is an on-line portal for applicants to register their interest by joining the group. The portal contains presentations and details of the
competition in the ‘About Us’ section and further information will be available in due course.

### Featured Research Outcomes

**Did you know...** papers featured in the newsletter also go on display in the Kilburn Building (outside 2.7)? Send your new publications to Robert Stevens so that more people get to know about your research.

From March 2013 until the end of November 2013, Computer Science has claimed 23 out of the 111 (21%) article processing charges (APC) in the nine FEPS schools. RCUK and Wellcome Trust funding requires open access publishing; if you wish to go via gold Open Access and require APC to be paid, use the form at [http://www.openaccess.manchester.ac.uk/](http://www.openaccess.manchester.ac.uk/) and make sure this high proportion of FEPS spending continues. It’s all v easy. When you have filled in the form, send me or Sarah a copy of the publication details and we’ll put it in the newsletter.

*Have we missed something? If you have some award news that you would like us to know about please contact Sarah Chatwin.*