Leading research teams is a challenge; leading multiple research teams and projects an even bigger challenge. How do you prepare yourself?

Leading Research Leaders will develop your ability to address the challenges involved in leading other research team leaders and of managing significant research projects. As a participant on LRL you will be introduced to a framework for research leadership that encompasses the roles of team leadership, operational leadership, and strategic leadership in a multi-stakeholder environment. Working within this framework you will consider in detail the essential role and functions of a research leader.

Discussions, exercises and experimental activities will form the basis of LRL, and you will also be given the opportunity to debrief, discuss and reflect on these as the programme progresses.

LRL is a two day programme with the first run starting in November 2014

**IS LRL RIGHT FOR ME?**

If you are a research active academic with significant operational leadership responsibility, then this is the programme for you. You will be responsible for other academics in their field who are research team leaders in their own right; i.e. you’ll be leading other leaders. You will be a lecturer, research dean, research head of department, or research manager.

**WHY SHOULD I CHOOSE LRL?**

At the Leadership Foundation we understand the needs and requirements of the UK’s universities and we design our programmes based on this knowledge, experience and our own research. LRL is a new research programme and would be beneficial to you if you have attended the Research Team Leaders programme. The programme will be delivered by experienced facilitators with experience of leadership in both the public and private sectors and a good knowledge of the challenges involved in leading at operational level.

**BENEFITS FOR YOU**

LRL will help you:

- Meet the challenges involved in fulfilling your role as a research leader while working with multiple stakeholders from the within your institution and beyond
- Develop and practice your thinking and listening skills
- Review the challenges of leading other research leaders
- Practice taking on an operational leadership role
- Prepare an action plan for implementing the methodology you’re learning on the programme
BENEFITS FOR YOUR INSTITUTION

LRL will benefit the institution by:

• Clearer communication and more effective implementation of research agendas
• Enhancing engagement with the institution’s strategic research objectives
• Better understanding of leadership structures

MEET THE TEAM

Dr David Faraday was formerly a senior lecturer at the University of Surrey, where he was responsible for professional training and skills development in chemical engineering. While at Surrey, David also led a research team conducting research in bioprocess engineering, distillation and membrane separations, and secured funding worth £1.1 million from the Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC), Hefce and the European Commission.

Shirley Wardell has been a leadership skills trainer since 1995. She is an owner-director of Evolve LEADTEAM Ltd, Shirley is a senior Thinking Environment consultant and coach. Shirley has trained undergraduates and postgraduates in leadership skills at the University of Surrey, UCL and the University of Southampton. She contributed to leadership and coaching research projects conducted by the University of Surrey, School of Management.

Click here if you want to know more about the team!

I’M INTERESTED IN BOOKING?

Leading Research Leaders takes place over two days, the autumn 2014 and the spring 2015 dates are:

AUTUMN

Thursday 27 - Friday 28 November 2014, Birmingham

SPRING

Thursday 7 - Friday 8 May 2015, Edinburgh

For autumn you’ll need to apply by Friday 14 November 2014.
Send completed applications to baljit.chauhan@lfhe.ac.uk

HOW TO BOOK

Dates, deadlines and booking conditions can be found online at: www.lfhe.ac.uk/lrl

If you’d like to have a chat with either Dr Faraday or Shirley Wardell to discuss the programme content and your suitability please let Baljit know and she’ll put you in touch with them.

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Wardell’s students come from across the academic spectrum from art to zoology. She says the greatest obstacles they face is getting their colleagues to do what they say they will: ‘Academics have lots of demands but also lots of freedom. You can’t just tell them what to do.’

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