

Global Festival of Learning 2016

This year we're taking BU's Festival of Learning global and we'd love for you to be a part of it.

The Festival is being piloted this year on the global stage in China and Malaysia, and there is an exciting opportunity for BU staff and students to be involved this summer.

Over the last three years the Festival of Learning has established itself as a wonderful celebration of learning and it has showcased BU's research and expertise to a wide and varied audience, including the local community, staff, students, employers and alumni.

Building on this successful model, and in line with the Global BU vision, for 2016 BU is co-hosting the Festival in China with Sias International University, and in Malaysia with Sunway University and the global technology hub of Cyberjaya, to create a festival programme relevant to international audiences.

The intention is that in future years the Festival of Learning will take place in other regions around the world. We would love to hear from colleagues who are interested in shaping the event in future years so please do get in touch by emailing globalbu@bournemouth.ac.uk if you would like to be involved.

Call for proposals - Now open!

Festival locations for 2016 are: **Zhengzhou, China** on 27 and 28 June and **Kuala Lumpur & Selangor, Malaysia** on 29 and 30 June.

If you would like to run a session at one of this year's pilot global festival locations, please read the criteria below and complete the accompanying [application form](#).

The deadline for applications is midnight on **Friday 15 April**. For further information please contact the Global Engagement Hub: 01202 965112 globalbu@bournemouth.ac.uk

What to expect

The objectives for the Global Festival of Learning 2016 are as follows:

- To enhance global access to and engagement with BU's research activities
- To strengthen global partnerships by creating opportunities for staff/student mobility and research collaboration in ASEAN and China
- To inspire learning and encourage knowledge sharing among staff, students and practitioners
- To nurture talent, creativity and innovation
- To raise awareness of BU in Malaysia and China via in-country engagement events.

Criteria

Applicants are advised that the Global Festival of Learning judging panel will be looking for events that link to one or more of the Global Festival objectives (see above). Global Festival of Learning proposals should clearly demonstrate how the event will appeal to the intended audience and add value to the Global Festival. Further specific criteria is summarised below:

	China	Malaysia
Scope of the event:	If you are interested in applying to deliver a session at the Global Festival of Learning in China, we are looking for applicants that are willing to showcase BU's expertise in: research and education in any subject area, but applications are particularly encouraged from business management, tourism, sports (golf and sports management), media, computer science; innovative teaching and learning methods and pedagogies (both days).	If you are interested in applying to deliver a session at the Global Festival of Learning in Malaysia, we are looking for applicants that are willing to showcase BU's expertise in: professional practice, research and education ideally in the fields of tourism and hospitality (day one - Sunway) or the creative industries and technology innovative teaching and learning methods and pedagogies (day two - Cyberjaya).
Target audience:	University staff and students, local employers, industry and government departments/organisations	University staff and students, local employers, industry and government departments/organisations
Event content:	Events will consist of presentations and interactive seminars and workshops.* *There will be a limited amount of technological support available so please keep this in mind when planning your event.	Events will consist of presentations and interactive seminars and workshops.
Events duration:	A maximum duration of 60 minutes per event	
Finance:	Limited funds have been allocated for these pilot events and therefore funds are only available for one member of staff and one student per application.	
Travel:	Applicants must have a valid passport with a minimum of 6 months from the date of the event remaining and they must be available to travel to attend the relevant location on the Festival dates.	

Selection Process

All proposals undergo a rigorous peer review process based on the above assessment criteria. There will only be one session on any given topic.

Once the committee have peer reviewed the proposals they will adopt a holistic perspective to develop a thematically coherent Festival programme that offers delegates diverse global perspectives.

Decisions of the committee are final.

Submitting your proposal

The deadline for applications is midnight on Friday 15th April. For further information please contact the Global Engagement Hub: 01202 965112 or globalbu@bournemouth.ac.uk.

For informal enquiries on the China Festival please contact [Dr Lucy Lu](#) and on the Malaysia Festival please contact [Dr Alastair Morrison](#).

Successful proposals

If your proposal is successful all travel arrangements will be made by the Global BU Festival team. You will be required to supply all the necessary information by Monday 9th May. Failure to do so will result in your application being withdrawn.

Timeline

Wednesday 23 March 2016	Call for proposals opens
Friday 15 April 2016	Deadline to submit application
W/C 25 April 2016	Successful applicants announced
W/C 25 April 2016	Registration opens
Monday, 9 May 2016	Registration closes