

CMPH Learning and Teaching Academy

Terms of Reference

Purpose

The academy concept was introduced at Flinders University in early 2021 to invigorate and raise the profile of teaching and learning in the institution. It is based on a hub and spoke model with an overarching institutional academy and academies in each of the Colleges. The College of Medicine and Public Health (CMPH) Learning and Teaching Academy (LTA) provides a structure within which to consolidate and improve learning, teaching, and educational scholarship. The CMPH LTA was launched in July 2021 with a vision to 'inform, inspire, and enrich CMPH educators within a learning and teaching culture of courage, creativity, and collaboration'.

The CMPH LTA is open to anyone involved in education in the College including teaching specialists, balanced academics, academic status holders, clinical educators, and professional staff.

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The CMPH LTA priorities include, but are not limited to, the following:

- design and/or deliver a range of professional development activities and initiatives relating to learning and teaching, and educational evaluation and scholarship
- provide mentoring and support for professional recognition applications (e.g., awards, fellowships, promotions)
- provide advice on or input into strategic educational matters relevant to CMPH
- assess applications for schemes such as the CMPH education capacity building grants, VPED awards related to teaching
- enhance links with industry to ensure developments are in line with workforce needs

The CMPH LTA may:

- Establish sub-committees or working parties to advise it on any matters within its terms of reference; and
- Delegate its powers and responsibilities to a sub-committee or any officer of the College, where University policy or procedure allows it.

The CMPH LTA will work synergistically with other groups including the institutional Learning and Teaching Academy, Academies in other Colleges, as well as CMPH based groups and schemes such as the Teaching Specialist Community of Practice, Mentoring scheme, Early Career and Mid-Career Academics community of practice.

Leadership Team Membership

The CMPH LTA Leadership Team will set the priorities and workplan of the Academy.

Members

- Dean (Education); Co-Chair
- Senior Lecturer (Clinical Education); Co-Chair
- Teaching Program Directors
- Teaching Specialists
- Balanced academics, preferably early to mid-career
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander academics
- Rural based academics
- Clinical academics/ or academic status holders
- Prideaux Discipline of Clinical Education representative
- Professional staff
- Industry partners

Quorum

50% of members to the next higher whole number.