# HOCHSCHULE TRIER

### **TRAINING & BEST PRACTICE SERIES**

### "INTERNATIONALISATION THROUGH VIRTUAL EXCHANGE & BLENDED MOBILITY"

This training and best practice series, which is part of the DAAD and BMBF funded project **"Hochschule Trier International: at Home and out into the World"**, aims to enable teaching, technical and administrative staff to use different models of Virtual Exchange as a strategic tool for the internationalisation of the curriculum. The sessions will take place in English.

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You are already actively involved in international digital teaching or have successfully implemented a transnational virtual project? **You want to contribute to our best practice exchange series?** 

Please contact us!

## **HOCHSCHULE TRIER INTERNATI@NAL**

#### 1. "WHAT IS VIRTUAL EXCHANGE?"

#### - INTERACTIVE WEBINAR -

The Covid-19 emergency has required many institutions to move their teaching online but how does online teaching in general differ from Virtual Exchange and what added value can it provide students and teaching staff? This short webinar will provide participants with answers to these questions by providing:

- A definition of Virtual Exchange
- Different models of Virtual Exchange
- Examples and testimonials of Virtual Exchange

Registration by email is required: haw.international@hochschule-trier.de

Duration	1-1.5 hours
Format:	Interactive Webinar: brief presentation on Virtual Exchange and practical examples, followed by a discussion
Target Group	Teaching, technical & administrative staff & students
Number of participants	Unlimited
Training provider	UNICollaboration A cross-disciplinary not-for-profit professional organisation for the promotion of virtual exchange.
Date	10 July 2020, 1pm - 2.30pm

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#### 2. "HOW TO SUCCESSFULLY DESIGN AND IMPLEMENT INTERNATIONAL BLENDED MOBILITY PROJECTS

- ONLINE EXCHANGE OF BEST PRACTICE -

In a Blended Mobility project students combine physical meetings abroad with virtual team work from the home base. This way, students and teachers can enjoy the thrill of an international experience without having to do a full Erasmus semester abroad. However, it can be quite challenging to find project partners or to even start a project from scratch. This presentation will provide participants with answers to the following questions and give an introduction to the European project "BlendEd Mobility":

- How to set up and run international Blended Mobility projects
- How to set up and manage an interdisciplinary team of students
- How to involve partners from industry and economy

The project **"BlendEd Mobility"** is an international collaboration between 11 universities that has been running since 2008. Each year 2 students of each university are selected to develop an innovative, interdisciplinary project. The students are challenged by a company with a real-life problem and build international teams from different fields of study, such as: **Business Development, Management, Electronics, IT & Design.** 

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Duration	1.5-2 hours
Format:	Presentation, followed by a best practice exchange
Target Group	Teaching, technical and administrative staff who may be involved in blended mobility projects
Number of participants	Up to 30 participants
Training provider	Dr. Nuno Escudeiro (Polytechnic Institute of Porto), Consortium leader of the EU project "BlendEd Mobility"
Date	9 September 2020, 1pm – 2.30pm

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### 3. "BASIC TRAINING: INTERNATIONALISATION OF THE CURRICULUM THROUGH VIRTUAL EXCHANGE"

- ONLINE TRAINING -

This Training covers all the topics and issues required to set up and implement a class-to-class Virtual Exchange, while also looking at other ready-made options of Virtual Exchange. The aim of the Training is to introduce university educators and staff to Virtual Exchange through experiential learning. Participants will understand the requirements to successfully integrate Virtual Exchange into existing courses and curricula, and will gain experience in online collaboration, communication, teaching and learning. The training requires no previous experience with Virtual Exchange.

- MODULE 1
  Introduction to Virtual Exchange
- MODULE 2 Setting up a class-to-class Virtual Exchange
   MODULE 3
- Basics of Virtual Exchange design
- MODULE 4 Challenges and solutions

You already have an international partner in mind with whom you would like to carry out a Virtual Exchange project? If there are still places available, please invite them to the training!

Registration by email is required: haw.international@hochschule-trier.de

Duration	16 hours
Format:	Online Training: Synchronous video communication, divided into 2-full day slots.
Target Group	Teaching, technical and administrative staff who may be involved in Virtual Exchange*
Recognition	Open badge
Number of participants	Up to 30 participants
Training provider	UNICollaboration A cross-disciplinary not-for-profit professional organisation for the promotion of Virtual Exchange.
Date	21 September 2020, 9am - 5pm 22 September 2020, 9am - 5pm

\* It is recommendable that respresentatives from all these staff categories and all departments attend the training, as the setting up of a virtual exchange model imply synergy among various offices and units, resulting in greater coordination and better implementation.