

# OneSource

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### Let's talk events

Around 230 staff turned up to talk about OneSource this Christmas, at drop in sessions on both campuses. Attendees were invited to browse between interactive presentations and connect face to face with those closest to the projects.

Among the areas represented were the two live projects of Finance and the Student focused Online Course Selection and Personal Timetable, both of these will deliver in August of this year. Also on hand were colleagues from HR and Payroll to discuss the run up to their OneSource journey and the planned implementation in 2015.

Our sometimes back room colleagues from ITS took a front facing role to explain the complexities and agreed strategies to manage the technical side of this huge undertaking and Mark Lewis, the Programme Director was there to talk about the Programme as a whole.

One colleague who attended last year's festive gathering remarked "There has certainly been a lot of progress in 12 months and it's obvious from the buzz in the room there's a lot of interest and a sense of momentum".

For those unable to attend the session the presentations have been made available online.

## Forthcoming Opportunities

Later this year the OneSource programme will be looking to fill some key leadership roles for future projects. These will be related to the various Research focused implementations and for the many Contact Relationship Management systems replacements being envisaged.

More information will be available in due course but if you would like to discuss these opportunities informally please contact Pat Browne Head of Business Improvement.







## Principal's Messages on OneSource



#### Nov 2013

I have remarked before on how important a project OneSource is in transforming how we conduct the business of the University and I would encourage staff to take the time to learn more about the programme by visiting StaffNet

I know, however, that many of us have already begun to understand the benefits we will experience through OneSource; I know also that having seen the potential benefit, it is hard not to want it all to happen by tomorrow. The project team understand that too and are committed to implementing the programme as quickly as possible but they must also do so without compromising on the quality of the end result.

It is also worth noting that, with excellent support from the Students' Association, we have been able to engage with our students on the implementation of OneSource and what it will mean for them. More and more students are becoming interested in the programme, particularly as the prospect of choosing their curriculum online draws closer.

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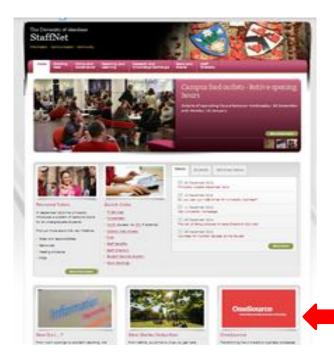
As the OneSource Programme moves into 2014 there will be even more efforts by a greater number of colleagues to drive forward the improvements we all want to see.

For now, however the focus is on the projects due to deliver in the summer of 2014 which for students are: MyCurriculum (Online Course selection) and the provision of a Personal Timetable; and for the Institution is the launch of a new Finance and Procurement system.

Could I take this opportunity to thank colleagues for the work they have put in by providing information, particularly on courses, which is enabling these projects to progress. I know this has added to colleagues' burdens but will, in the long term, enhance our working lives and our students' experience.

In 2014 we will start to develop the Research part of OneSource. In some parts of the University colleagues tell me that they would welcome some further help with the bureaucracy of grant applications and their subsequent management and I believe this part of the project will enhance opportunities in this regard.

I would encourage all staff to take some time to look at the information that is available on StaffNet about these projects and to consider what the projects involve, how they will affect their work, and whether they can contribute or need to engage with those close to the project. The OneSource team would value that engagement and have reminded me that it will be in everyone's interest to consider and prepare for the delivery of these first two projects, the first of many exciting developments to be delivered through the programme



### OneSource on StaffNet

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