School of Mathematical and Physical Sciences

Recruitment of staff and graduate students: Diversity policy

General Principle

To encourage applications and appointment of staff and students from under-represented groups through training and awareness of equality and diversity issues and compliance with good practice.

Objectives

- All staff will undergo a minimum of one equality and diversity training course per three years e.g. Unconscious Bias.
- Participants of staff interview panels must have received training in Recruiting and Selecting Staff, via the Staff Development Unit
- Interview panels, including for PhD studentships, will consist of a minimum of two staff.
- Interview panels should normally be (and for faculty will always be) mixed gender. If a single-gender panel is unavoidable, it must be approved in advance by Head of Department (for studentships/PDRAs) or Head of School (for other staff).
- Monitoring of training will be undertaken biannually by the Heads of School and Department.

Procedure

Training courses can be booked via Sussex Direct

Monitoring reports will be provided to Heads by School Administrator biannually.

For further information:

University procedures for recruiting staff:

http://www.sussex.ac.uk/humanresources/personnel/recruitmentandselection

School notes for recruiting staff:

http://www.sussex.ac.uk/mps/internal/staff/mpsrecruit

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