

Students as stewards – Peer assisted learning to develop employability and leadership skills

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PAL
Peer Assisted Learning



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steward

/ˈstjuːəd/ 

noun

noun: **steward**; plural noun: **stewards**

stew·ard·ship  *noun* \ˈstü-ərd-,ship, ˈstyū-;
'st(y)ürd-\

: the activity or job of protecting and being responsible for something

Full Definition of STEWARDSHIP



- 1** : the office, duties, and obligations of a **steward**
- 2** : the conducting, supervising, or managing of something; *especially* : the careful and responsible management of something entrusted to one's care <*stewardship* of natural resources>

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PAL Leaders = **Empathy**... “The Heineken Effect”



- Olympics Gamesmaker
- More Knowing Other
- Empathy and approachability
- Facilitator not teacher
- Stewards for their course



PAL Leader CPD programme Term 1

1. Academic skills

2. Planning and researching for assessments

3. Revision and exam preparation

Staged CPD in tandem with naturally occurring events in the curriculum

Certificates of attendance

Peer Observation

Next time...

Setting up PAL spaces, set the climate

Work the room!

Encouraging participation

ALLs

PAL Leader CPD programme Term 2



Open Days

Evaluations
Data gathering

PAL Publicity
Promotion

Recruiting
new PAL
Leaders

75 hours
£500
2nd timers

PAL Interns

PAL training
co-facilitators

Developing PAL
materials

PAL Leader benefits

- University Certificate
- Comprehensive ongoing training
- CPD programme and Bedfordshire Edge
- CPD Certificate
- Internships and Peer Coaching opportunities
- Volunteering Certificate
- Pre-arrival Buddies
- CV enhancement
- HEAR
- ‘soft skills’ development





Followed by Beds SU, J0SH H@bimana, Beds SU Pres and 3 others.



Funmilash @FunmiLash · Feb 25

Good pal session today @palatuob group 1 students becoming more inquisitive about exams and revision. Next wk: q&a on nervous system

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PAL Leader Awards Ceremony April 2013 with the VC and DVC (Academic)

