



Newsletter

As we are in the midst of autumn and the nights are starting to get darker it is time to be thinking about staff training and development both for ourselves and for our colleagues in our libraries. The M25 is well placed to provide you and your staff with appropriate, timely, and relevant training. cpd25, the staff training and development programme of the M25, has a fantastic range of events arranged over the coming weeks and months. From events on hybrid working, presentation skills and career planning as well as an excellent programme of visits there is definitely something to interest our members.

By offering events both online and face to face, the cpd25 programme can fit around the busy working lives of you and your colleagues. Training and development opportunities are designed to be inclusive of all staff in all our member libraries. They give everyone the opportunity to learn together and from each other in a mutually supportive environment. So, if you do anything this autumn, I would recommend attending one of the cpd25 events. I look forward to seeing you at one in the near future.

Stuart Hunt, M25 Consortium Chair



cpd25 discounted events for M25 Consortium members

M25 member institutions receive a 50% discount on the full cost of cpd25 event rates. We have also re-introduced our programme of library visits for members, which offer great networking opportunities too. The full programme of events and visits can be found on our website: [Events - M25 \(m25lib.ac.uk\)](https://m25lib.ac.uk)

To be added to the cpd25 mailing list and receive weekly event updates please email cpd25@london.ac.uk.

Diversity in academic libraries

The Diversity Group is gathering case studies and examples of best practice from across member libraries. If you have examples to share or want to arrange an informal chat, please email the Group Chair, Katie Winter at k.winter@surrey.ac.uk



We're pleased to share with you case studies from the University of East London, the University of Surrey and the University of the Arts [View the case studies here.](#)

The recently drafted report from the survey

undertaken earlier in the year can also be found on our website. [View the full report here](#)



M25 Mentoring Scheme

The scheme is intended to support non-senior staff in the Consortium's member libraries and will dovetail with [SCONUL's mentoring scheme](#) for senior staff. The core purpose of the scheme is to support library staff in their professional growth by facilitating mentoring relationships with more experienced colleagues. The scheme also aims to support the progression of LGBTQ+ and BAGM staff by giving mentees the opportunity to be matched with a mentor from a specific group or background. Both partners will learn and gain from the experience.

Full details including guidelines and application forms can be found on our website: [Mentoring Scheme - M25 \(m25lib.ac.uk\)](#)

M25 SpeedMeet

Every month we meet someone working in an M25 member institution and ask them to tell us a little bit about themselves. This month we met Stuart Hunt from the University of Reading and recently appointed Chair of the M25 Consortium of Academic Libraries. [View the latest SpeedMeet and past interviews here.](#)



If you're interested in contributing to the

SpeedMeet please
contact m25libadmin@london.ac.uk.

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Members' Area

Members are reminded to sign up for the exclusive Members' Area on the M25 website to enjoy additional benefits such as the virtual learning and development resources, including all presentations from the speakers at the M25 Conference.

[Sign up or log in here.](#)

Peer organisations:

SCONUL: <https://www.sconul.ac.uk/>

Mercian Collaboration: <https://merciancollaboration.org.uk/>

White Rose Libraries: <https://whiterose.ac.uk/projects/white-rose-libraries/>

Academic Libraries North (Formerly Northern Collaboration &

NoWAL): <https://www.academiclibrariesnorth.ac.uk>

SCURL: <https://www.scurl.ac.uk/about>

WHELP: <https://whelf.ac.uk/>

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