

Geographies Event June 2023

Speaker Profiles

Suzanne Wilks, Senior HE Progression Adviser, Higher Education Progression Partnerships South Yorkshire (HeppSY), Sheffield Hallam University.

Suzanne has managed the careers team at HeppSY for the last 5 years developing and delivering an offer for the schools and colleges in her region. She has worked in a wide variety of roles with young people over the last 20 years from careers advice and youth work to running my own business. The projects that she has been part of include NEET reduction, bespoke provision for vulnerable young people, confidence raising and progression to HE. All these projects have focused on helping young people to achieve their full potential.

Marie Kendrew, Senior Access Development Officer (Data and Evaluation), Sheffield Hallam University.

Marie began working in the Widening Participation and Outreach team at Sheffield Hallam in 2015 where her role was predominantly to manage the HEAT database. More recently the team has changed its focus to access, and role has developed to include more general co-ordination of data along with HEAT and evaluation for the access development teams projects. Marie has been in her current role since January 2023.

Vicky Peace, Senior Access and Development Officer (Evaluation and Reporting), University of Sheffield.

As well as Senior Access and Development Officer, Vicky has worked at the University of Sheffield since March 2017 in a range of roles relating to Access including Senior Insight Officer (Widening Participation), Reporting Officer and Outreach Officer (Data and Communications).

Dr Chuanyan Zhu, Evaluation and Data Manager, Higher Education Progression Partnerships South Yorkshire (HeppSY), Sheffield Hallam University.

Helen has a wide range of experience in research and data analysis and has been the Evaluation and Data Manager with HeppSY since 2021.

Eilis O'Donnell, Director of Programmes and Delivery, IntoUniversity

Having previously worked as a teacher, Eilis joined IntoUniversity in 2015.