

Addressing the BAME Outcome Gap: The Importance of Evaluation and Research

The outcome gap between students from different backgrounds has now been accepted as a real and urgent issue for the HE sector. However, strategies for addressing this remain underdeveloped and solutions are not straightforward. To better understand the BAME outcome gap and to support constructive work towards real solutions, this series of three linked events will focus on the broader cultural issues within the academy which are at the heart of the outcome disparity for some BAME students and look at some examples of best practice in the sector. Sarah Howls from the Office for Students will talk about the BAME degree outcomes target. This will be followed by a panel discussion with Sarah and speakers from the previous events (likely to include: Jason Arday, Nona McDuff, Dave Thomas, Kathleen Quinlan, Dorrie Chetty, Berekhet Berakhy).

- ♦ **1.45 Virtual coffee & registration**
- ♦ **2.00 Welcome**
Annette Hayton, NERUPI Convenor
- ♦ **2.10 Awarding gaps: from analysis to national targets**
**Sarah Howls, Head of Access & Participation (Regulation & Funding),
Office for Students**

The session charts the journey taken at the national level to analyse, document and understand awarding gaps and take action and set ambitious sector targets to close them.
- ♦ **2.50 Discussion Groups**
- ♦ **3.30 Panel Discussion: Addressing the BAME Outcome Gap**
- ♦ **4.30 Close**