# Promoting a Culture of Belonging in Further and Higher Education Half day Workshop



Saturday 26 January 2019, 11:00 — 15:00

We're holding a session exploring the concept and contemporary relevance of a culture of

belonging in further and higher education.

The workshop aims to uncover new understandings on the theme of belonging by:

- Examining current thinking around how 'a culture of belonging' contributes to student learning, retention and resilience
- Exchanging experiences of alienation and belonging in educational situations
- Investigating how current polarising political, social, economic and ecological tensions mitigate against free speech and are detrimental to a culture of belonging
- Proposing practical strategies to promote an inclusive culture of belonging for everyone.

Where? Our Glasgow city centre offices, Victoria Chambers, 142 West Nile Street, Glasgow G1 2RQ

## Who should attend?

Students, academics, support staff, administrators and anyone interested in promoting innovative models of human communication in our adult learning institutions.

Tickets on sale at www.hds.scot 
Places are limited 
£35 Members and 
Students 
£45 Non members

# **PROGRAMME**

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- 11:00 Tea, coffee and welcome
- **11:15** Context and background for workshop
- 11:45 In groups or pairs reflect on positive and negative learning experiences
- 12:15 Plenary session capturing feedback from groups/pairs and relating it to a sense of belonging
- **12:45** Lunch
- 13:45 Practical strategies for promoting a culture of belonging
- 14:00 In different groups/pairs (if desired by attendees) suggest strategies for promoting a culture of belonging
- **14:25** Plenary session capturing feedback from group/pairs and identifying further actions if appropriate
- 14:50 Conclusion

### **Ruth Jackson**

Ruth Jackson is an integrative psychotherapist who recently moved to Glasgow from Ireland. Her background is in adult education. She taught social science and social policy in London for many years before returning to Belfast. Working for the Open University in Ireland she became responsible for delivering pastoral services to students on both sides of the border. In recent years she trained as a psychotherapist and worked with clients in community-based settings in West Belfast. In Glasgow her client work is based with Southside Counselling.





# Mary MacCallum Sullivan

Mary's background is in psychotherapy and counselling education and training, at post-graduate level, as teacher, team leader and manager. She has experience of working with a wide range of clients. Co-author with Harriett Goldenberg of *Cradling the Chrysalis: Teaching/Learning Psychotherapy* (2015) UKCP/Karnac, editor of *Unconscious Communication In Practice* (1999) Open University Press, and co-editor with Bernard Burgoyne of *The Klein-Lacan Dialogues* (1997) Rebus Press.