Students as Change Agents

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world. Indeed it is the only thing that ever has."
Inspiring futures

Ambitions
Create step change in volume, quality and impact of experiential learning at the University of Edinburgh

Become a challenge-led university

Create opportunity for every student to benefit from ‘change agent’ activity

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Why here? Why now?

Value of experiential learning

Demand from students

Interest from external partners

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How?

- Develop model for delivery at scale
- Deliver co-curricular programme
- Support activity in curriculum

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Story so far...

Pilot 1: Festival of Creative Learning

5 days
5 groups: 28 students / 9 Schools / 13 nationalities

3 challenges: fintech, construction, international 3rd sector

Sustainable Impact: society, economy and environment

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Support for student development

Training Course: problem solving, value of data, team working

Personal and group reflection

Time with mentors and host organisations

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Value to students

Becoming a change agent

Recognition

Increased confidence in key skills

Tracking longer term impact

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Next stages

Delivery of further pilots
Design in credit

Development of model for growth
Essence of being change agent
Create umbrella identity?

Support curricular activity
Identify good practice
Understand support needs
Develop community of practice
Harness industry networks

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Questions

What we are aiming to do?
How you can get involved?
Anything else?

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