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+ PARTNERSHIP

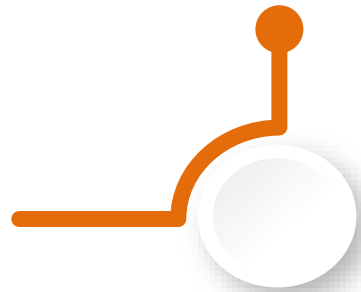
Seven Steps Towards Implementing a Universal Culture of Student Partnership Across a University

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**RCSI
Strategy
2018-2022**



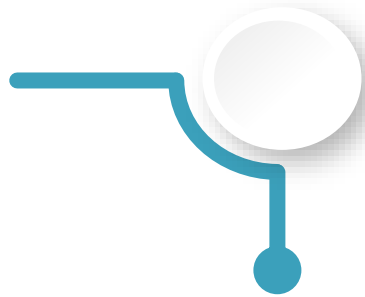
STEP 1



- Appointment of Deputy Dean for Student Engagement (2018-2022)
- Student Engagement and Partnership Committee Convened
- Financial Support Provided



STEP 2

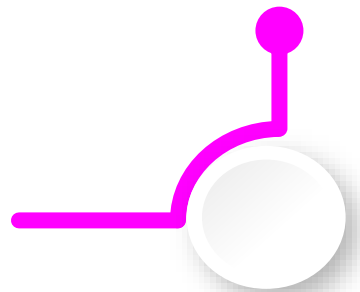


Definition of RCSI Student Partnership

RCSI mission is to 'Educate, Nurture and Discover for the Benefit of Human Health'.

Through active student engagement, RCSI is nurturing, promoting and implementing a culture of partnership and inclusivity, **where the expertise and perspectives of students and staff are equally valued** and, by working together, we are driving positive change across the RCSI community for the benefit of human health

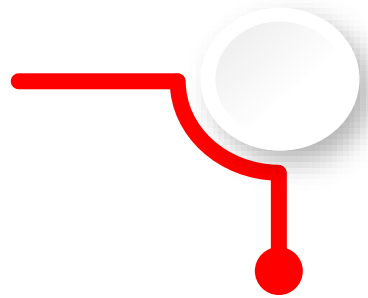
RCSI Student Engagement and Partnership Framework



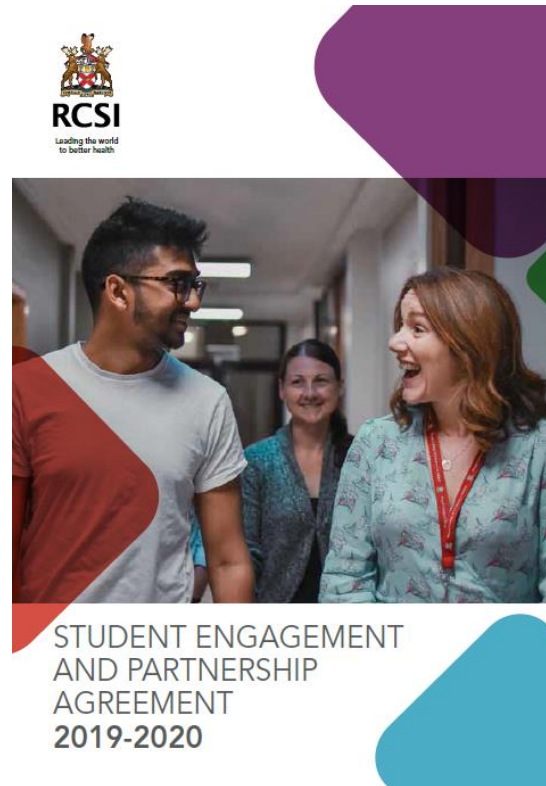
STEP 3



STEP 4

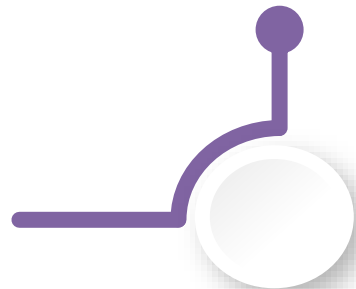


**Formal,
Annual
Agreements
Between
RCSI, SU
and PGSU**





Promotion Strategy



STEP 5

- Brand - Logo
- Presentations to Senior University Boards, Schools and Faculty
- HR Induction Days
- Postgraduate Orientation Days
- Annual agreements launched during White Coat Ceremony
- RCSI website
- Twitter @RCSI_StEP
- Moodle home page
- SU and PGSU social media channels

Student Engagement and Partnership (StEP) Programme

Dashboard > Student Engagement and Partnership (StEP) Programme

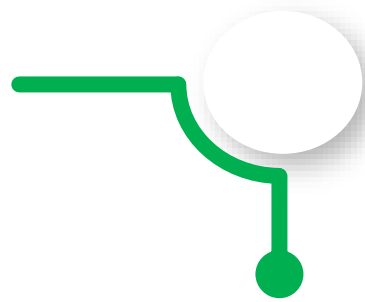
The dashboard features a teal header with a large, colorful StEP logo on the left. To the right of the logo is a quote: "Through active student engagement, RCSI is nurturing, promoting and implementing a culture of partnership and inclusivity, where the expertise and perspectives of students and staff are equally valued and, by working together, we are driving positive change across the RCSI community for the benefit of human health". Further right is a call to action: "Open Calls - Click here to get involved!" accompanied by an illustration of diverse hands raised. Below the header is a grid of eight colored buttons: "StEP Programme Overview" (teal), "StEP Framework" (purple), "StEP Agreement" (yellow), "RCSI Student Partnership Champion Award" (pink), "StEP Project Funding" (green), "Exemplars of Successful RCSI StEP Projects" (light blue), "Testimonials" (red), and "Contact Us and Information Forum" (dark blue).

A screenshot of the Twitter profile for RCSI Student Partnership (@RCSI_StEP). The profile header shows the name "RCSI Student Partnership" and "145 Tweets". The profile picture is the StEP logo. The bio reads: "Nurturing, promoting & implementing a culture of partnership and inclusivity, where the expertise and perspectives of students and staff are equally valued". It also states "Joined October 2020".





STEP 6

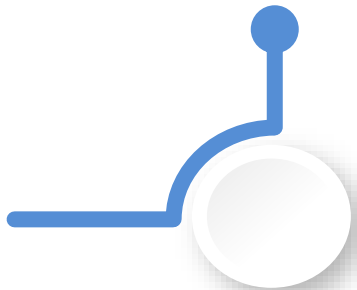


Recognition





Funding Programme



STEP 7

Funding Programme:

- Open call for funding
- Students and staff can apply
- Project applications must be aligned to priority themes as outlined in annual agreement
- Applications reviewed by selection committee comprising staff and student members
- Student bursary provided
- Formal induction session and closing ceremony
- Student and staff partners receive certificates and digital badges

Level 1 Funding Programme:

- Students work part-time on projects
- 10 weeks during the semester
- Max student contact of 3 hours/week

Level 2 Funding Programme:

- Students work full-time on projects
- 8 weeks during the summer vacation



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- Open and inclusive policy for recruitment of students onto RCSI committees
- Development of EDI learning resources and initiatives for inclusion in RCSI curricula as well as supporting Faculty development
- Empowering Students to be Career Ready by Redesigning the Career Readiness Centre
- Closing the student feedback loop
- Virtual Research Summer School
- RCSI REACH Postgraduate-Led Programme – promoting STEMM in DEIS post-primary schools

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“The StEP programme is a truly progressive model of student-staff partnership. Together, the perspective of the students and the expertise of staff enables reform which is both innovative and enduring.”

Dr. Kathryn Haley
Medicine, Class of 2023



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