

LTA Connect Special:

International Women's Day 2023

Celebrating UHI Aurorans #EmbraceEquity



International Women's Day 2023 Theme: #EmbraceEquity

embrace - verb - Im'breis - to willingly and enthusiastically accept, adopt, and espouse

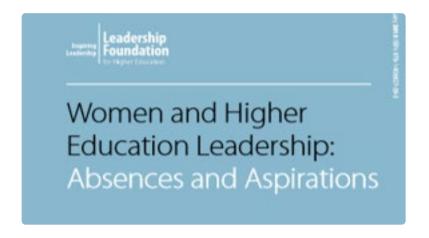








The start of Aurora







Stimulus

Founder

#IAmAurora



Who is it for and what is it about

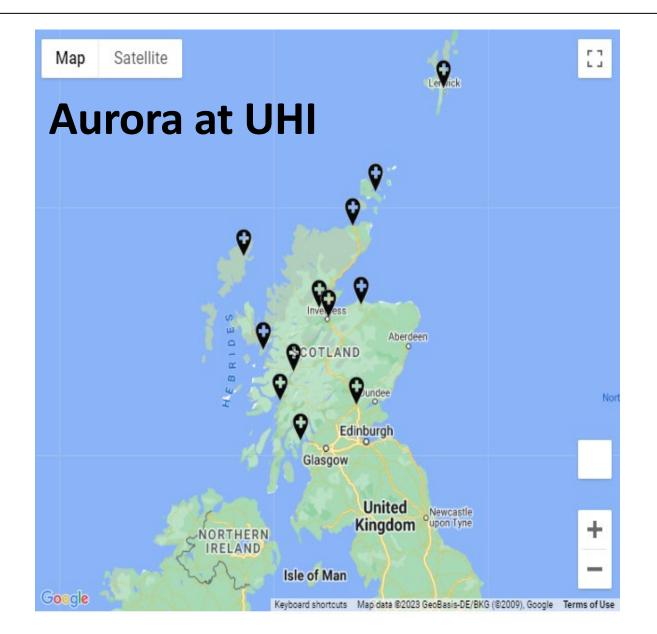
- Up to senior lecturer level or professional services equivalent
- Develop and explore issues relating to leadership roles and responsibilities
- Becoming a leader?
- Aspirations in context

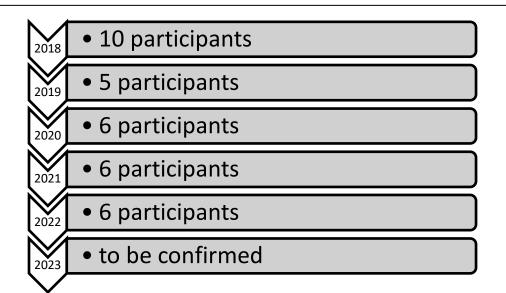


What does leadership mean to you?

"....real leadership is not about telling others what to do. It's about inviting others, encouraging others, getting others excited about new possibilities. True leadership doesn't presume to have the answers. In fact, the opposite is true. The best leaders start with an open mind and invite others to seek solutions with them. Truly great leadership is about genuinely caring about the other person's success as you mutually learn and grow. That's true of all successful leadership. But it's absolutely crucial to leading others when you have no positional authority".







Academic partner	Number of Participants
Orkney College	1
SAMS	5
UHI Executive Office	12
UHI Inverness	5
UHI Moray	2
UHI North Highland	1
UHI Outer Hebrides	3
UHI Perth	2
UHI Shetland	1
UHI West Highland	1



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Professional recognition and development - Advance HE Aurora Leadership Development Programme (uhi.ac.uk)



Championing Aurora in UHI

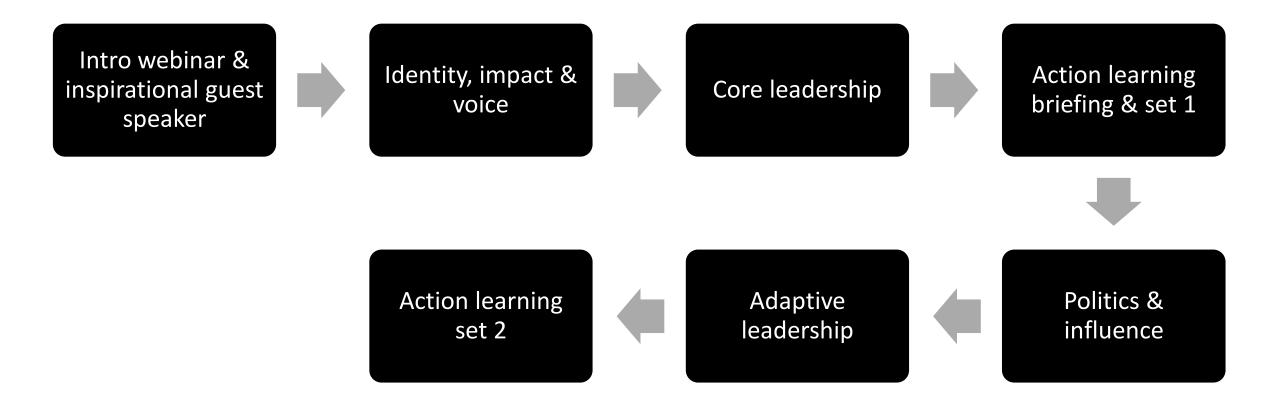
- What do I do?
- AdvanceHE's Aurora Champion's
 - network
- What have I learned?
- The best thing?

Guiding principles of Aurora at UHI

- Transparency and openness
- Rigorous selection process
- Further development opportunities with LTA
- Building participant confidence
- Belonging to a growing community
- Supporting leadership approaches grounded in practice
- Building momentum
- Participating in evaluation and research



Programme content





Indicative timeline

- June 2023
 - AdvanceHE confirm programme dates for all cohorts
- Late June/early July
 - Call for applications is issued on <u>Aurora Leadership Development Programme (uhi.ac.uk)</u>
- August
 - All About Aurora webinar delivered
- September
 - Deadline for applications
- October
 - Panel meets to consider applications
 - Outcomes are advised
- October/November
 - Programme begins



So are you inspired to apply?





Other things you can get involved with

- The University Women's Network (uhi.ac.uk)
- The Women's Network reading group
- Professional recognition through <u>ALPINE</u>
- Mentoring through the University's <u>Mentoring Scheme</u>
- Keep an eye on the LTA's events and webinars



Photo opp for #EmbraceEquity







How to Ask Polite Questions in English (thoughtco.com)