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Curriculum Vitae

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01 HIGHER EDUCATION

Degrees

2012-2016 MA Online & Distance Education, The Open University (UK)

2004-2010 PhD Philosophy, The University of Essex (UK)

Thesis: Communication, Recognition and Social Pathology: Normative Paradigms in Habermas and Honneth <https://doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.4750780.v1>

Supervisor: Prof. Peter Dews
Examiners: Prof. Fabian Freyenhagen (internal); Dr. Joel Anderson (Utrecht University)

2003-2004 MA Continental Philosophy, The University of Essex (UK)

1997-2000 BA Philosophy, The University of Kent at Canterbury (UK)

Professional qualifications

2023 Senior Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (SFHEA)

2019 Creative Commons Certified Expert (Education)

2015 Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (FHEA)

2008 Postgraduate Certificate in Higher Education Practice, The University of Essex (UK)

2 APPOINTMENTS AND EXPERIENCE

2020-	Senior Research Fellow, IET/WELS, The Open University (FT, perm.)
2016-2020	Research Fellow, IET/LTI/WELS, The Open University (FT, perm.)
2012-2016	Research Associate (OER Hub), IET, The Open University (FT, fixed)
2012	Research Associate (Inquiry for Learning Design), IET, The Open University (FT, fixed)
2011-2012	Research Comms. Officer (Open Learning Network), IET, The Open University (PT, fixed)
2011-2012	Research Associate (Digital Scholarship), IET, The Open University (PT, fixed)
2010-2011	Learning and Teaching Development Officer, IET, The Open University (FT, fixed)
2009-2010	Research Assistant (Mobile Learning), IET, The Open University (FT, fixed)
2005-2008	Graduate Teaching Assistant (Philosophy), The University of Essex (PT, fixed)
2005-2008	Editorial Office Manager (<i>Inquiry</i>), The University of Essex (PT, fixed)
2004-2005	Office Manager, National Association for Language Development in the Curriculum (PT, fixed)
2001-2003	Research & Policy Officer, The Association of Charity Shops (FT, perm.)
2000-2001	Account Manager, Interbrew (now InBev) (FT, perm.)

3 CONTRIBUTIONS TO OPEN UNIVERSITY TEACHING AND STUDENT SUPPORT

(a) Organisational responsibilities

Central academic staff

H880 Technology-enhanced learning: foundations and futures

2024 Contributions to review and update of curriculum materials/references

Pathways for learning: new approaches in higher education

2020 Production team member for two courses (teacher education and tertiary education) co-developed with the African Council for Distance Education as part of project to support online pivot during Covid-19 pandemic

H819 The Critical Researcher: Educational Technology in Practice (30 credits) (WELS)

2016-2018 Module production team member; area lead (ethics). Authored sections 9.4 & 9.5 on research ethics – 6 hours of study; critical reader for Block 2

2015 Critical reader for Block 1

H800 Technology-enhanced learning: practices and debates (60 credits) (IET)

2015-17 Monitoring: plagiarism review and detection

(b) Contributions to teaching materials and methods

Online Teaching: Embedding Social, Race and Gender-Related Equity (FutureLearn)

<https://www.futurelearn.com/microcredentials/online-teaching-embedding-social-race-and-gender-related-equity>

2022 Critical reviewer for microcredential course produced by The Open University (UK) and hosted on FutureLearn

Pathways for learning: new approaches in higher education (OpenLearn Create)

<https://www.open.edu/openlearncreate/course/index.php?categoryid=423>

2020 Authored an activity for the end of this course involving the creation of digital artefacts for dealing with “tricky topics” in online education which are shared as open educational resources (OER).

The Online Educator: People and Pedagogy (FutureLearn)

<https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/the-online-educator>

2017-2019 Produced and presented in video on online research ethics; designed assessment activity on ethics for Week 3 and acted as critical reviewer

A275 Reading Classical Greek (60 credits) (Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences)

<https://www.open.ac.uk/library/digital-archive/module/xcri:A275/study>

2010-2011 Expert evaluation of a popular course in Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences

AD281 Understanding Global Heritage (60 credits) (Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences)

<https://www.open.ac.uk/library/digital-archive/module/xcri:AD281/study>

2010-2011 Survey-based course evaluation & reporting to faculty

BZX628/9 Professional Certificate in Management (70 credits) (OU Business School)

https://www.openuniversity.edu/sites/www.openuniversity.edu/files/brochures/S01_ProfCert_Management_0.pdf

2010-2011 Supported the OU Business School in developing evaluation activities and reports

(c) Contributions to staff and student support and associated activities

Institute of Educational Technology (IET) / Learning & Teaching Innovation (LTI)

2024- Co-editor, *Journal of Interactive Media in Education* (IET/LTI/WELS)

2022- Member, The Centre for the Study of Global Development (CSGD)

2021-2023 Member, New Ways of Working (NWOW) (post-pandemic operational strategy group)

2019-2021 Instructor, Open Research Methods (CREET Academy)

2018- Member, Artificial Intelligence in Education (OpenAIED) special interest group

2016-2019 Instructor, Twitter 101 (Academic Professional Development)

- 2015-2016 Contributions to Quality Enhancement reporting (Open Educational Resources)
- 2011-2018 Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Interactive Media in Education* (IET/LTI/WELS)
- 2011- Member, Centre for Research into Education and Educational Technologies (CREET)
- 2010- Member, Computers and Learning Research Group (CALRG)

Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (FASS)

- 2010-2015 Member, Centre for Citizenship, Identities and Governance (CCIG)

(d) Contributions to teaching outside The Open University

- 2022 Guest lecturer, Dept. of Economic Management, Univerza v Novi Gorici, Slovenia
- 2020 Facilitator & co-translator: PHDOOC (French open online course offering training and career support for doctoral & postdoctoral candidates)
- 2014-2015 Author & Instructor: *Open Research*, Peer To Peer University (P2PU)
- 2005-2008 Subject Tutor: *Introduction to Philosophy* (Ethics, Epistemology & Metaphysics), Department of Philosophy & Art History, The University of Essex. Taught 7 classes over 3 years, and created a range of free digital resources for undergraduates.
- 2006 English Language Tutor for French exchange students, The University of Essex

4 CONTRIBUTIONS TO ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT

The Open University

- 2025 Interview panel member, prospective EdD & PhD candidates (WELS)
- 2024- Programme lead, Learning in an Open World (IET/WELS)
<https://iet.open.ac.uk/research/programmes/learning-in-an-open-world>
- 2024 Interview panel member, prospective PhD candidates (IET/WELS)
- 2023-2025 Project co-lead, Global OER Graduate Network (GO-GN)
- 2023 Interview panel member, prospective PhD candidates (WELS)
- 2022- Declaration of Research Assessment (DORA) academic reference group
- 2022 Ed.D viva chair, Kathy Chandler (Health & Social Care)
- 2021 Interview panel member, prospective PhD candidates (CREET)
- 2021-2023 Project lead, European Network for Catalysing Open Resources in Education (ENCORE+)
- 2019-2021 Research WP lead, European MOOC Consortium for Labour Markets (EMC-LM)
- 2019-2023 Research WP lead, Global OER Graduate Network (GO-GN)
- 2019-2020 Research consultant line manager for FutureLearn (micro-credentials) (EMC-LM)

2019-2020	Evaluation lead, Flexible Essential Skills (Wales)
2018-2019	Evaluation WP lead, Bringing Learning to Life
2018	Represented The Open University at the 5th International Meeting of OERu Chief Executives
2015-2018	Project lead, OER World Map
2016	Interview panel member, prospective PhD candidates (CREET)
2016	PhD probation viva panel member (CREET)
2015	Interview panel member, Leverhulme Doctoral Scholarship candidates (CREET)
2014	Interview panel member, prospective PhD candidates (CREET)
2013	Line manager for consultant web developer (OER Impact Map/OER Hub)
2012-2016	Research WP lead, Open Education Research Hub (supervision of 2x AC1 researchers)
2011	Evaluation WP lead (including EU reporting) for EU4ALL project
2010-2011	Strategic review of OU accessibility guidance and stakeholder policy recommendations for Securing Greater Accessibility (SeGA) group

Contributions at other institutions

2025-	Co-Chair, ICDE Open Education Network
2024-	Member, ICDE Technology and Innovation Network (TIN)
2006-2008	Organiser, Graduate Conference in Philosophy, The University of Essex, UK
2006-2007	Postgraduate Student Representative, The University of Essex, UK
2005-2006	Convenor, Critical Theory Reading Group, The University of Essex, UK
2003-2005	Member, Radical Politics Working Group, The University of Essex, UK

5 RESEARCH AND SCHOLARSHIP

Research interests

My research focuses on technology enhanced learning and the design, implementation and evaluation of socio-technical learning systems. My work critically analyses openness as a practice and philosophy, exploring cultures of openness, promoting open values, and developing tools and free learning materials for the commons. As a mixed methods researcher I work across disciplinary boundaries, typically in collaboration with a diverse range of stakeholders.

Current interests are in open educational practices; innovation; automated systems for learning and behavioural change; theoretical frameworks for learning; ethics; technology as a route to social justice; using openness to improve pedagogical practice or enhance access to education; and more generally in understanding how to empower stakeholders in learning contexts through technologies, tools and values. I identify most closely with critical traditions and methods.

In addition to PhD and Ed.D supervision, I support doctoral students worldwide who are working in the field of open education as Co-Director of the Global OER Graduate Network (GO-GN) where I lead award winning research. I also mentor for the Open Education Leadership Program (SPARC); Open Education for a Better World (UNESCO); the UKRI funded Future Leaders Fellows (FLF) Development Network; the OU Academy; and the Asia-Europe Foundation.

Publication keywords: accessibility; action research; algorithms; artificial intelligence (AI); artificial intelligence in education (AIED); automation; barriers, business models; chatbots; collaborative research; critical pedagogy; critical reflection; critical theory; culture; data visualisation; decoloniality; decolonisation; enablers, ethics; evaluation; evidence hubs; explainable/explicable artificial intelligence (XAI); future educational perspectives; generative artificial intelligence (GenAI); generative pre-trained transformer (GPT); human-GenAI interaction; impact; innovation; learning; lifelong learning; methodology; mobile learning; MOOCs; natural language processing; open educational practices (OEP); open educational resources (OER); open textbooks; pedagogy; phenomenology; policy; revenue models; speculative methodology; stakeholders; strategy; supported open learning; teaching; theory.

Externally funded research projects

2025-2026	Global OER Graduate Network Regional Expansion Grant (Co-Principal Investigator) <i>Funder:</i> Hewlett Foundation <i>Grant:</i> \$300,000
2023-2026	Global OER Graduate Network (IV) (Co-Principal Investigator) <i>Funder:</i> Hewlett Foundation <i>Grant:</i> \$670,272
2023	GO-GN Implementation Grant (10th Anniversary Event) (Co-Investigator) <i>Funder:</i> Hewlett Foundation <i>Grant:</i> \$50,000
2021-2023	ENCORE+: European Network for Catalysing Open Resources in Education (Principal Investigator & OU lead) <i>Funder:</i> Erasmus+ Cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices <i>Value of Project:</i> €995,000 with €118,000(+€12,000) OU income <i>Collaborators:</i> Baden Wuerttemberg Cooperative State University; Dublin City University; Fondazione Politecnico de Milano; Instructure Global Ltd; International

- Council for Open And Distance Education; Joubel AS; Knowledge 4 All Foundation Ltd; Universidad Internacional de la Rioja
- 2020 Pathways for learning: new approaches in higher education (Researcher)
Funder: Global Challenges Research Fund
Grant: £48,000
Collaborators: African Council for Distance Education (ACDE); Teacher Education in Sub-Saharan Africa (TESSA)
- 2019-2023 Global OER Graduate Network (III) (Co-Investigator)
Funder: Hewlett Foundation
Grant: \$591,000
- 2019-2021 European MOOC Consortium for Labour Markets (Research WP consortium lead)
Funder: Erasmus+ Cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices
Grant: €982,828
Collaborators: European Association of Distance Teaching Universities; EduOpen; FutureLearn; France Université Numérique; OpenUpEd; Miriada X; University of Foggia
- 2018-2020 Flexible Essential Skills (Evaluation lead)
Funder: Higher Education Funding Council for Wales
Grant: £200,000
Collaborators: Addysg Oedolion Cymru/Adult Learning Wales; Coleg Gwent; Coleg Cambria; NPTC Group of Colleges
- 2018-2019 Bringing Learning to Life (Evaluation lead)
Funder: UK Department for Education Flexible Learning Fund
Grant: £1,000,000
Collaborators: Bedford College Group; Middlesbrough College; West Herts College
- 2017-2018 UK Open Textbooks (Co-Investigator)
Funder: Hewlett Foundation
Grant: \$300,000
Collaborators: Open Textbook Network; OpenStax; University of the West of England; WonkHE
- 2016-2019 Global OER Graduate Network (II) (Co-Investigator)
Funder: Hewlett Foundation
Grant: \$480,000
- 2016-2019 BizMOOC – Knowledge Alliance to enable a European-wide exploitation of the potential of MOOCs for the world of business (Researcher)
Funder: Erasmus+ Cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices
Grant: €758,264
Collaborators: AVL List GmbH; Burgas Free University; Cracow University of Economics; dida srl; European Association of Distance Teaching Universities JOANNEUM Graz; Košice IT Valley; openHPI; University of Alicante
- 2016-2018 OER World Map IV (Co-Investigator and OU lead)
Funder: Hewlett Foundation
Grant: \$450,000 with £40,000 OU income
Collaborator: Hochschulbibliothekszenrum des Landes NRW
- 2015-2016 OER World Map III (Co-Investigator and OU lead)
Funder: Hewlett Foundation

- Grant:* \$225,000 with £25,000 OU income
Collaborator: Hochschulbibliothekszenrum des Landes NRW
- 2015-2016: Open Education Research Hub (Sustainability Grant) (named Researcher)
Funder: Hewlett Foundation
Grant: \$325,000
- 2014-2015 OER World Map II (Co-Investigator and OU lead)
Funder: Hewlett Foundation
Grant: \$200,000 with £28,000 OU income
Collaborator: Hochschulbibliothekszenrum des Landes NRW
- 2012-2016 OER Research Hub (named Researcher)
Funder: Hewlett Foundation
Grant: \$1,500,00
Collaborators: BC Campus; Bridge to Success; Creative Commons; Flipped Learning Network; Community College Consortium for Open Educational Resources; MERLOT; Open Course Library; OpenLearn; OpenStax; Project Co-Pilot; P2PU/School of Open; Saylor Academy; Siyavula; TESS-India; Vital Signs
- 2010-2012 Open Learning Network (Researcher)
Funder: Hewlett Foundation
Grant: \$3,000,000
Collaborators: Carnegie Mellon University
- 2010-2011 EU4ALL: European Unified Approach for Accessible Lifelong Learning (Researcher)
Funder: European Union FP6
Grant: €7,400,000
Collaborators: Atos; Centre for Social Innovation in Austria; Disabled Peoples' International; European Association of Distance Teaching Universities; e-Isotis; eXact Solutions; Fraunhofer Institute of Technology; Indra; Polytechnic Institute of Leiria; Tribal; UNED; University of Rome 'La Sapienza'; University of Valencia; University of York
- 2009-2010 Mobile Technologies in Lifelong Learning (MOTILL) (Researcher)
Funder: European Union Lifelong Learning Programme 2007-2013
Grant: €375,000
Collaborators: Trinity College Dublin (Ireland); Corvinus University of Budapest (Hungary); Italian National Research Council

Internally funded research projects

- 2022 OpenTEL: Exploitation of results from EMC-LM project (£2,700) (Researcher)
- 2012-2013 Expert consultant for *Castle, Island, Forest, Sea* tendering process, drawing on subject expertise and working with external experts to develop OpenLearn choose your own philosophy adventure experience (Open Media and Informal Learning)
<https://www2.open.ac.uk/openlearn/philosophy/castle-forest-island-sea.html>
- 2012 Supported Learning Design grant application development (IET) (Researcher)
- 2010-2011 Digital Scholarship (IET) – research into changes in scholarly communication across sciences and humanities resulting from digitalisation (Researcher)

2010

Mobile Learning Evaluation (IET) – working with course chairs and managers across disciplines to assess use of mobile learning approaches by OU faculty (Researcher)

Funding applications under development

202x	Artificial Intelligence Mapping for Educational Equity (AIM4Equity) Value of project: £250,000
202x	Project Melius OS (HORIZON-INFRA-2023-EOSC-01-01) O.S.C.A.R.S. - Open Science Clusters' Action for Research and Society Value of project: €250,000
202x	Open Educational Practices for AI in Education (OEPRA)
202x	Artificial Intelligence for Distance Education Research (AIDER) Value of Project: £100,000
202x	International Communities Researching Open Social Sciences (I-CROSS) <i>Value of Project: £1,000,000</i>
202x	Open Frameworks For Sociotechnical Inclusion, Diversity and Equity (OFSIDE) <i>Value of Project: £100,000</i>

Unsuccessful funding applications

2024	Artificial Intelligence for Distance Education Research (AIDER) (Principal Investigator) <i>Funder: British Council</i> <i>Value of Project: £100,000 with £65,000 OU income</i> <i>Collaborator: Anadolu Üniversitesi, Republic of Türkiye</i>
2023	Imagineries & Narratives for Technologies in Education & Learning: AI Discourses/Diffractions (INTELAID) (Principal Investigator) <i>Funder: CHANSE, Collaboration of Humanities and Social Sciences in Europe</i> <i>Value of Project: €1,500,000 with £400,000 OU income</i> <i>Collaborators: Vestlandsforskning / Western Norway Research Institute; Pedagoški inštitut; Universitat Oberta de Catalunya</i>
2019	Assessing Students Knowledge Exchange (ASKE) (Co-Investigator) <i>Funder: Office for Students (OfS)</i> <i>Value of Project: £1.1 million with £850,000 OU income</i> <i>Collaborators: Cranfield University; Oxentia; Santander Group; The Careers Research and Advisory Centre Ltd; The Workers Educational Association; Unison; University of Bedfordshire; University of Gothenburg</i>
2018	ENCORE: European Network for Catalysing Open Resources in Education (Principal Investigator) <i>Funder: Erasmus+ Cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices</i> <i>Value of Project: €1 million with £93,000 OU income</i> <i>Collaborators: Baden Wuerttemberg Cooperative State University; Dublin City University; Instructure Global Ltd; International Council for Open And Distance Education; Joubel AS; Knowledge 4 All Foundation Ltd; Polimi; Universidad Internacional de la Rioja</i>
2018	EdTech Driving Global Excellence (EDGE) (named Researcher) <i>Funder: Erasmus+ Cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices</i> <i>Value of Project: £19.9 million with £3.7 million OU income</i> <i>Collaborators: AfriLabs; Brink; IMC Worldwide; Story Things; Tandemic</i>

- 2017 Partnership for Networking Open education resources & Repositories (PANOR)
(Principal Investigator & OU lead)
Funder: Erasmus+ Cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices
Value of Project: €1 million with €100,000 OU income
Collaborators: Foundation UNIT; Knowledge 4 All Foundation Ltd; International Council for Open And Distance Education; Joubel AS; Ministry of Science, Research and Arts in Baden-Württemberg; Norwegian Digital Learning Arena (NDLA)
- 2017 UK Policy frameworks for digital inclusion (Principal Investigator)
Funder: IT For Change
Value of Project: £10,000
Collaborators: N/A
- 2017 Designing An Ethical Framework For Artificial Intelligence In Education
(Co-Investigator)
Funder: Horizon 2020 (Science with and for Society)
Value of Project: £1.6 million with £550,000 OU income
Collaborators: Algebra University College; Beijing Normal University; Federal University of Alagoas; L'agencia per a la Qualitat del Sistema Universitari de Catalunya; MindCET - The Centre for Education Technology; Norwegian Board of Technology; Pearson UK; The Betelsmann Stiftung; Universite de Namur; University College London
- 2017 Money Twist Evaluation (Principal Investigator)
Funder: MyBnk
Value of Project: £70,000
Collaborators: N/A
- 2016 Study of International Collaboration On OER (Principal Investigator)
Funder: UNESCO
Value of Project: £25,000
Collaborators: N/A
- 2015 Key Trends in the digital Hochschullehre (Principal Investigator)
Funder: The Higher Education Forum digitization in Germany
Value of Project: £5,000
Collaborators: Institute for Education and Socio-Economic Research
- 2015 REA-Chile: Evaluating The Impact Of OER On Academic Performance And Access To Education (Co-Investigator)
Funder: Research Councils UK
Value of Project: £240,000
Collaborators: Universidad de Chile
- 2014 Enhancing Research Value Through Open Collaboration (Principal Investigator)
Funder: Research on Open Educational Resources for Development (ROER4D)
Value of Project: £75,000
Collaborators: N/A
- 2014 OER Map Prototyping (Co-Investigator)
Funder: Hewlett Foundation
Value of Project: £25,000
Collaborators: Association of Learning Technology

6 POSTGRADUATE STUDENT SUPERVISION

- 2020-present Co-supervisor of Moortooza Puttaroo (WELS/ECYS)
EdD candidate, Title: MOOCs as a tool to improve recruitment for nursing courses in higher education
- 2018-2022 Lead supervisor of Helen Crump (IET/WELS) (withdrawn)
PhD candidate, Title: An investigation into openness in the context of networked participatory scholarship
- 2018-2020 Co-supervisor of Dr. Renato Cortinovis (KMi) (PhD passed w. minor corrections, May 2020)
Title: Improving the Discoverability of Open Educational Resources
- 2016-2020 Co-supervisor of Dr. Janesh Sanzgiri (IET/LTI) (PhD passed w. minor corrections, Jan 2020)
Title: MOOCs for Development? A Study of Indian Learners and their Experiences in Massive Open Online Courses

Mock Vivas (The Open University, UK)

- 2021 Candidate: Ralph Mercer (PhD, IET/WELS)
Title: Investigating 'habitus of technology' as a framework to better understand technologies of learning: a Causal Layered Analysis of two perspectives
- 2016 Candidate: Katy Jordan (PhD, IET/WELS)
Title: Understanding the structure and role of academics' ego-networks on social networking sites.

7 EXTERNAL ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

External examining (doctoral)

- 202x (tbc) School of Education, The College of William and Mary, Williamsburg, VA, USA
Candidate: Jamison Miller (PhD)
Title: The transformational potentials of open education in theory, policy, and practice
- 2024 Centre for Higher Education Studies, The University of Liverpool, UK
Candidate: S. Trevor Baxter (Ed.D)
Title: An Exploration Into the Experiences and Perspectives of Staff and Students in an Open Western Canadian University
- 2022 Centre for Higher Education Studies, The University of Liverpool, UK
Candidate: S. Trevor Baxter (Ed.D)
Title: An Exploration of Working Professionals Transitioning into Open Higher Education
- 2017 The University of Greenwich, UK
Candidate: Mark Clements (Ed.D)
Title: The pedagogy of Facebook in Higher Education: exploring computer mediated communications in social media for an insight into enhancing uptake and usage for social, educational and institutional benefit

Academic editorial work

- 2025- Editorial board member, *Interdisciplinary Journal of Lifelong Learning (IJLL)* (University of Lagos, Nigeria) <https://journals.unilag.edu.ng/index.php/IJLL>
- 2025- Costello, E., Lee, Kyungmee, Ferrera, G. & **Farrow, R.** (eds.) (2025). *Journal of Interactive Media in Education*. Special Collection: Metaphors of AI in Higher Education: Discourses, Histories and Practices.
- 2024- Associate Editor, *Frontiers in Education* (Frontiers Media S.A.)
<https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/education>
- 2024- Editorial board member, *Journal of Educational Technology and Online Learning* (Balikesir Üniversitesi) <https://j-etol.com/>
- 2024- Associate Editor, *International Journal of Changes in Education* (Bon View Publishing)
<https://ojs.bonviewpress.com/index.php/IJCE/index>
- 2024- Co-General Editor of *Journal of Interactive Media in Education* (Ubiquity)
<https://jime.open.ac.uk/>
- 2024 **Farrow, R.** & Holmes, W. (eds.). Special Issue on 'Open Educational Practices for AI in Education'. *Sustainability*.
https://www.mdpi.com/journal/sustainability/special_issues/5YR564U319
- 2023 **Farrow, R.** (ed.), Weller, M., Pitt, R., Iniesto, F., Algers, A., Almousa, S., Baas, M., Bentley, P., Bozkurt, A., Butler, W., Cardoso, P., Chtena., N., Cox, G., Czerwonogora, A., Dabrowski, M.T., Derby, R., DeWaard, H., Elias, T., Essmiller, K., Funk, J., Hayman, J., Helton, E., Huth, K., Hutton, S. C., Iyinolakan, O., Johnson, K., Jordan, K., Kuhn, C., Lambert, S., Mittelmeier, J.,

- Nagashima, T., Nerantzi, C., O'Reilly, J., Paskevicius, M., Peramunugamage, A., Pete, J., Power, V., Pulker, H., Rabin, E., Rets, I., Roberts, V., Rodés, V., Sousa, L., Spica, E., Vizgirda, V., Vladimirschi, V., & Witthaus, G. (2023). *The GO-GN Open Research Handbook*. Global OER Graduate Network / Open Education Research Hub.
https://go-gn.net/gogn_outputs/open-research-handbook/
- 2022 **Farrow, R.** (ed.), Baas, M., Cardoso, P., Cox, G., Czerwonogora, A., DeWaard, H., Essmiller, K., Helton, E., Huth, K., Iniesto, F., Johnson, K. R., Peramunugamage, A., Pitt, R., Sousa, L., Vizgirda, V. and Weller, M. (2022). *GO-GN Research Review 2022*. Global OER Graduate Network. https://go-gn.net/gogn_outputs/research-review-2022
- 2021 Weller, M., **Farrow, R.**, Iniesto, F. & Pitt, R. (eds.) (2021). *Journal of Interactive Media in Education* (Special Collection: Global OER Graduate Network)
<https://jime.open.ac.uk/collections/18>
- 2021 **Farrow, R.** (ed.), Cardoso, P., Chtena, N., Cox, G., Czerwonogora, A., DeWaard, H., Iniesto, P., Kuhn, C., Peramunugamage, A., Pitt, R., Vladimirschi, V. & Weller, M. (2021). *GO-GN Research Review (Winter 2021)*. Global OER Graduate Network.
https://go-gn.net/gogn_outputs/research-review-winter-2021/
- 2021 **Farrow, R.** (ed.), Iniesto, F., Weller, M., Pitt., R., Algers, A., Baas, M., Bozkurt, A., Cox, G., Czerwonogora, A., Elias, T., Essmiller, K., Funk, J., Lambert, S., Mittelmeier, J., Nagashima, T., Rabin, E., Rets, I., Spica, E., Vladimirschi, V. & Witthaus, G. (2021). *The GO-GN Guide to Conceptual Frameworks*. Open Education Research Hub. The Open University, UK. CC-BY 4.0. https://go-gn.net/gogn_outputs/conceptual-frameworks/
- 2020 **Farrow, R.** (ed.), Bass, M., Chtena, N., Cox, G., Dabrowski, M., De Waard, H., Essmiller, K., Iniesto, P., Kuhn, C., Pitt, R., Pulher, H. and Weller, M. (2020). *GO-GN Research Review (Summer 2020)*. Global OER Graduate Network.
http://go-gn.net/gogn_outputs/research-review-summer-2020/
- 2020 **Farrow, R.** (ed.), Iniesto, F., Weller, M. & Pitt., R. (2020). *The GO-GN Research Methods Handbook*. Open Education Research Hub. The Open University, UK. CC-BY 4.0.
https://go-gn.net/gogn_outputs/research-methods-handbook/
- 2019 **Farrow, R.** (ed.) (2019). *Massive Open Online Courses for Business Learning*. BizMOOC Project. <https://mooobook.pressbooks.com/>
- 2018- Editorial Peer Review Board Member, *International Journal of Open Educational Resources* (Policy Studies Organisation, Washington DC)
- 2014 **Farrow, R.** (ed.) (2014). *The Open Education Handbook*. Open Knowledge Foundation, UK.
<https://education.okfn.org/handbook/index.html>
- 2011-2018 Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Interactive Media in Education* (The Open University)
- 2009-2010 Contributing Editor, *Mobile Technologies in Lifelong Learning (Best Practices)* (MOTILL Project)
- 2009 Editor, *Scientific Annotated Reviews Database* (MOTILL Project)
- 2008-2009 Associate Editor, *re-bus: a journal of art history and theory* (The University of Essex)
- 2005-2008 Editorial Assistant, *Inquiry: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Philosophy* (vols. 48-52)
<https://www.tandfonline.com/journals/sinq20>

2004

Web Editor, *Initial Teacher Training for Speakers of English as Another Language*
(National Association for Language Development in the Curriculum – NALDIC)

Consultancy

- 2025 BBC/Responsible Innovation Centre for Public Media Futures
Project: AI Literacy for Young People
- 2025 Client: China Youth Daily
Project: Interviewed for an article on AI and educational technology
- 2024 Client: Anadolu University, Türkiye
Project: Determining Ethical Principles for Artificial Intelligence (AI) in Online Learning (Delphi Study)
- 2022 Client: National Library of Sweden
Project: Interviewed for survey and analysis of open educational resources in Sweden
<https://www.kb.se/5.2dd50321183eebadf4024a.html>
- 2021 Client: Université de Genève, Switzerland
Project: A Roadmap for Open Education in Switzerland: First Steps (Delphi Study)
- 2021 Client: Association for Learning Technology (UK)
Project: Review, develop and redraft Framework for Ethical Learning Technology (FELT)
- 2020 Client: PHDOOC
Project: Expert review of content and translation into English of an online course for developing skills relevant to academic job markets
- 2019 Invited to join UNESCO roster of education expert consultants
- 2018 Client: Baden-Wuerttemberg Cooperative State University (DHBW) Germany
Project: One of 45 experts in Delphi study the future of education. Published as Elhers, U.-D. (2020). *Future Skills – Lernen der Zukunft, Hochschule der Zukunft / Future Skills – Future Learning, Future Higher Education*. Springer, Germany. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-658-29297-3
- 2017 Client: UNESCO
Project: Contributions to internal UNESCO report for Division for Policies and Lifelong Learning Systems. Orr, D., Dohmen, D., Weller, M. & Farrow, R. (2017). Meeting the Challenge of Skills for Digital Economies and Societies through Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET). Forschungsinstitut für Bildungs- und Sozialökonomie (FIBS).
- 2016 Client: European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Training (CEPOL), Hungary
Project: Needs capture & analysis and design contributions for redevelopment of Europe-wide training platform and Virtual Learning Environment
- 2015 Client: JISC
Project: Advisory Panel, Code of Practice for Learning Analytics
- 2015 Client: Wawasan Open University, Malaysia
Project: Supporting 30+ researcher teams in the Global South to provide evidence of OER adoption & impact; led in-person expert workshops in Canada and Malaysia for the Research into OER for Development (ROER4D) project
- 2013-2014 Client: Open Knowledge Foundation
Project: Editing/writing *The Open Education Handbook* from crowd-sourced wikis

- 2011 Client: Faculty of Health & Social Care, The Open University (UK)
Project: Literature review on ICT skills development and Learning Design using open educational resources (OER) or other generic resources
- 2007 Client: Department of Philosophy, The University of Essex
Project: Research and editing to support production of Dews, P. (2008). *The Idea of Evil*. John Wiley And Sons Ltd. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1369415400001370>
- 2004 Client: Association of Charity Retailers
Project: Quarterly retail research & reporting for UK charity shops nationwide

Contributions to conferences

2025	OER25 Conference Committee (London, UK)
2024	Programme Committee, Open Education Global 2024 (Brisbane, Australia)
2024	Committee Member, OER24 (Cork, Ireland)
2023	Co-organiser, European Network for Catalysing Open Resources in Education (ENCORE+) Final Conference
2023	Programme Review Committee, Open Education Global 2023 (Edmonton, Canada)
2023	Co-Chair & Committee Member, OER23 (Inverness, UK)
2022	Co-organiser, Global OER Graduate Network seminar (Inverness, UK)
2022	Co-Chair, OER22 (London, UK)
2022	Co-organiser, Global OER Graduate Network seminar (London, UK)
2022	Scientific Committee Member, Distance Education: a brave new world? / La formation à distance, résolument? (Le Centre National d'Enseignement à Distance (CNED) / Distances et Médiations des Savoirs (DMS) / The Open University, UK)
2021	Programme Review Committee, Open Education Global 2021 (Nantes, France)
2021	Awards for Excellence Committee, Open Education Global 2021 (Nantes, France)
2021	Committee Member, OERxDomains21 (UK)
2021	Programme Committee (Business Track) EMOCs Conference (Berlin, Germany)
2020	Programme Review Committee, Open Education Global 2020 (Taipei, Taiwan)
2020	Committee Member, OER20 (London, UK)
2020	Co-organiser, Global OER Graduate Network seminar (Taipei, Taiwan)
2020	Co-organiser, Global OER Graduate Network seminar (London, UK)
2019	Reviewer, UNESCO Pan-Commonwealth Forum (PCF9) on Open Learning
2019	Programme Committee, Open Education Global 2019 (Milan, Italy)
2019	Reviewer & Session Chair, OER19: Recentering Open (Galway, Ireland)
2019	Co-organiser, Global OER Graduate Network seminar (Galway, Ireland)
2018	Co-organiser, Global OER Graduate Network seminar (Delft, Netherlands)
2017	Co-organiser, Global OER Graduate Network seminar (Cape Town, South Africa)
2016	Session Chair, OER16: Open Culture (Edinburgh, UK)
2016	Co-organiser, Global OER Graduate Network seminar (Krakow, Poland)
2015	Co-organiser, Global OER Graduate Network seminar (Banff, Canada)
2015	Session chair, OER15: Mainstreaming Open Education (Cardiff, UK)
2006-2007	Co-organiser, International Graduate Conferences on Philosophy, University of Essex

- 2004 Co-organiser, National Association for Language Development in the Curriculum (NALDIC) Annual Conference 12: Talking it through: Speaking, Listening and Learning English as an Additional Language, SOAS/University of London
- 2002-2003 Co-organiser, Association of Charity Shops Annual Conferences

Invited lectures & talks

- Mar 2025 Invited speaker: Open Universities in the Artificial Intelligence Era: Opportunities and Challenges. Beijing Normal University 北京师范大学 UNESCO Chair on AI in Education. China. https://sli.bnu.edu.cn/en/News/SLI_News/2025/0304/3440.html
- Nov 2024 Keynote panel member: Burke, P. J., Dougiamas, M. **Farrow, R.**, Leachman, S. & McLellan, R. d. (2024). Conference Closing Reflections. *Open Education Global 2024: Open Is Everyone's Business*. <https://oeglobal2024.sched.com/event/1pHg0/closing-panel-reflections-on-open-as-everyones-business>
- Oct 2024 Invited speaker: Sondi, G., **Farrow, R.**, Folasayo, O., Earle, R., Raghuram, P. & Singh, J. (2024). "How far did we decolonise?". Centre for Global Challenges and Social Justice (GCSJ) Roundtable Series. Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, The Open University, UK. <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/how-far-did-we-decolonise-tickets-1042849911157>
- Jul 2024 Invited speaker: The 24th International Conference on Education Research (ICER), *Reimagining Teaching and Teachers in a Changing World*. Seoul National University 서울대학교 South Korea. https://icer.snu.ac.kr/sub_program/keynote.php
- Jul 2024 Invited commentator: "Conversation with the Author: Lesley Gourlay on Posthumanism and the Digital University". Workshop (10.7.24) College of Education, Seoul National University 서울대학교 South Korea
- May 2023 Panel member: *Why I Signed DORA*. LIS-Bibliometrics. <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/why-i-signed-dora-tickets-596009960837>
- Sep 2022 Keynote: "Ethics and Educational Technology". *ALT-C Association of Learning Technology Annual Conference*, Manchester, UK. <https://www.youtube.com/live/rIZObpMLeVU>
- Aug 2022 Keynote (with Costello, E.): "Openness and Ethics in an age of AI: Educational Futures". Forum on AI-driven Open Education Panel, *Global Smart Education Conference 2022*.
- Mar 2022 Invited speaker: "Conceptual Frameworks for Doctoral Research into Open Education". Postgraduate EdTech Group, University of Cape Town. South Africa.
- Dec 2021 Keynote: "Innovation with Open Educational Resources: The State of the Art". *OpenLang Multiplier Event: Open Educational Resources and Practices in Language Learning and Teaching*. <https://bit.ly/3xOcT5U>
- Dec 2021 Keynote (with Weller, M., Pitt, R. & Iniesto, P.): "Global OER Graduate Network: The doctoral community for open research." *oercamp.de* <https://oercampglobal2021.sched.com/event/rYTp/global-oer-graduate-network-the-doctoral-community-for-open-research>

- Sep 2021 Keynote panel member: Atenas, J., Abrams, B., Farrow, R., Flynn, S., Hallam, C., Lafferty, N. & Traxler, J. (2021). Launching ALT's Framework for Ethical Learning Technology. *Association of Learning Technologists Annual Conference 2021 - Shared Experience, Different Perspectives*.
<https://altc.alt.ac.uk/2021/keynote-speakers/featured-speakers/>
- Jul 2021 OEG Voices: A Podcast from Open Education Global. Interviewed by Alan Levine and Una Daly <https://podcast.oeglobal.org/2021/07/05/voices-13/>
- Jun 2021 Panel member, Ehlers, U.-D. & Monelyon, T. (2021). Creating the next European OER ecosystem – Building engagement through OER Community Circles. *EDEN 2021 - Lessons from a pandemic for the future of education*. Madrid, Spain.
- Mar 2021 Invited speaker, *The Cardiff Commitment: Continuing Professional Development*. Cardiff, UK.
- Feb 2021 Invited keynote panel member (open education and innovation), *Lillehammer Lifelong Learning Conference*. Oslo, Norway.
- Feb 2019 Invited expert (open education), *Hochschulbildung für das digitale Zeitalter im europäischen Kontext / Expert Hearing: "Higher Education for the digital age in a European context"*. Spenerhaus, Frankfurt, Germany.
- Dec 2016 Invited speaker, *Critical Approaches to Openness in Higher Education: Teaching, Data and Research*. Society for Research into Higher Education. University College London (UK).
- Mar 2016 Keynote: "Constellations of Openness", *3rd e-Learning and Distance Education Conference: Evolution, Challenges and Solutions*. Lahore, Pakistan.
- Feb 2016 Keynote: "Constellations of Openness", *Utah Valley University Open Education Symposium*. Orem, Utah, USA.
- Nov 2015 Panel discussion: "The State of Open Research, and of Research on Open" with David Kernohan, Vivien Rolfe, Beck Pitt and Tannis Morgan. #openupTRU. Thompson Rivers University, Kamloops, British Columbia, Canada.
- Nov 2015 Panel discussion: "Conceptual issues in mapping OER" with Paul Bacsich (Sero Consulting); Jan Neumann (hbx); Tel Amiel (University of Campinas) and Dan Wilton (Athabasca University). *Open Education Global 2015*. Banff, Alberta, Canada.
- Oct 2014 Invited participant, Creative Commons OER policy workshop. Porto, Portugal.
- Nov 2013 Invited speaker, "OER Impact: Towards an Evidence Base", *Open Access Un/Conference*. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Library, San José, California, USA.
- Oct 2013 Panel discussion: Openness Constituent Group with Kim Thanos (Lumen Learning), Patrick Masson (University of Massachusetts) and Paul Erickson (University of Nebraska Lincoln). *Educause Annual Conference 2013*, Anaheim Convention Center, California, USA.
- Nov 2010 Invited speaker, *Workshop on Personalised Services*, Department of Informatics, UNED: Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia, Madrid, Spain.

Peer Review (Scientific Journals) [Tracker](#)

2025-	<i>Methodological Innovations</i> (Auckland University of Technology)
2025-	<i>Acta Psychologica</i> (Elsevier)
2025-	<i>Computers</i> (MDPI)
2024-	<i>Journal of Further and Higher Education</i> (Springer)
2024-	<i>Applied Sciences</i> (MDPI)
2024-	<i>Frontiers in Artificial Intelligence</i> (Johns Hopkins University, USA)
2024-	<i>Humanities and Social Science Communications</i> (Springer)
2024	<i>Discover Education</i> (Springer)
2024-	<i>Information and Learning Sciences</i> (Emerald)
2023-	<i>Global Health Economics and Sustainability</i> (ACCScience Publishing)
2023-	<i>Trends in Higher Education</i> (MDPI)
2023-	<i>International Journal of Innovation Studies</i> (Science Direct / Elsevier)
2022-	<i>Research for All</i> (University College London Press)
2022-	<i>Frontiers in Psychology</i> (Université libre de Bruxelles, Belgium)
2021-	<i>Journal of the Philosophy of Games</i> (University of Oslo, Norway)
2021-	<i>Journal of Academic Ethics</i> (Springer)
2021-	<i>Digital Society</i> (Springer)
2021-	<i>Open Technology in Education, Society, and Scholarship Association Journal</i> (University of Victoria)
2021-	<i>Phenomenology and the Cognitive Sciences</i> (Springer)
2020-	<i>Social Sciences</i> (MDPI)
2020-	<i>Education Sciences</i> (MDPI)
2020	<i>International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health</i> (MDPI)
2020-	<i>Educational Technology Research and Development</i> (Springer)
2020-	<i>Sustainability</i> (MDPI)
2020-	<i>Frontiers in Education</i> (Chapman University, USA)
2020-	<i>Higher Education Quarterly</i> (Wiley/Society for Research into Higher Education)
2019	<i>British Journal of Educational Studies</i> (Taylor & Francis)
2019-	<i>Educational Research for Policy and Practice</i> (Springer)
2017-	<i>Learning, Media & Technology</i> (Taylor & Francis)
2015-	<i>Open Praxis</i> (International Council for Distance Education)
2014-	<i>Open Learning: The Journal of Open, Distance and e-Learning</i> (Taylor & Francis)
2013-	<i>Journal of Curriculum Studies</i> (Taylor & Francis)
2012-	<i>Philosophy and Technology</i> (Springer)
2012-	<i>International Education Studies</i> (Canadian Center of Science and Education)
2012-	<i>International Review of Research in Open & Distributed Learning</i> (Athabasca University Press)
2012-	<i>British Journal of Educational Technology</i> (Wiley / British Educational Research Association)
2012-	<i>Journal of Online Teaching and Learning</i> (MERLOT/California State University)
2011-	<i>Journal of Interactive Media in Education</i> (Ubiquity Press)

2011- *Journal of University Teaching & Learning Practice* (University of Wollongong)
2009-2015 *Inquiry: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Philosophy* (Taylor & Francis)

Peer Review (Projects)

- 2024 Expert reviewer ([Enrichment Scheme](#)), Alan Turing Institute (UK)
- 2024 Expert reviewer (Philosophy), National Research Foundation (NRF), South Africa
- 2022 Improving environmental decision-making through visualisation of richer biodiversity data at The National History Museum (EP/X029859/1) on behalf of UK Research & Innovation / Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC)
- 2021 Cases on Open Learning (COOL) project based at the Centre for Innovation in Learning and Teaching (CILT) at the University of Cape Town (UCT), South Africa. Published as Mayisela, T., Govender, S. C. and Hodgkinson-Williams, C. A. (2022). *Open Learning as a Means of Advancing Social Justice: Cases in Post-School Education and Training in South Africa*. African Minds. DOI: 10.47622/9781928502425

8 OTHER INFORMATION

Fellowships

2023	Senior Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (SFHEA)
2018	Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (FHEA)
2016	Shortlisted for the Emory University Digital Scholarship Residency (Georgia, USA)
2008	Associate Fellow of the Higher Education Academy (AFHEA)

Awards & Scholarships

2024	Open Education Global Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Award (GO-GN, shortlisted)
2023	Open Education Global Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Award (GO-GN, shortlisted)
2022	Stracke et al. (2022) selected by Ireland's National Institute for Digital Learning as one of top 10 COVID-19 articles published in 2022 https://nidl.blog/2023/01/18/top-10-covid-19-articles-published-in-2022-several-major-literature-reviews/
2021	UNESCO OER Implementation Award http://shorturl.at/dnwFL
2020	Open Education Global Award for Open Research Excellence (GO-GN)
2018	Open Education Consortium Award for Innovation (OER World Map)
2018	Open Education Consortium Award for Research Excellence (GO-GN)
2016	Open Education Global conference paper on ethics selected for special issue of <i>Open Praxis</i>
2015	Research Councils UK Engaging Research Award (OER Hub)
2014	ACE Award for Research Excellence (OER Hub)
2013	Featured academic in 'Young at Heart' OU showcase film
2011	OU Staff Award (£1,500) for leadership in delivery of EU4ALL project
2007	Erasmus+ Studentship – Democracy & Knowledge (Uniwersytet Jagielloński, Poland)
2007	Cambridge-MIT Institute (CMI) Enterprisers Programme Scholarship
2006	Erasmus+ Studentship – Democracy & Knowledge (University of Tilburg, Netherlands)
2005-2008	Inquiry Foundation Stipend (c.£15,000)
2004-2007	University of Essex PhD Scholarship (c.£9,000)

Memberships

- 2025- AI in Education at Oxford University (AIEOU)
- 2014- Philosophy of Education Society of Great Britain

Mentoring

- 2025 UNESCO Open Education for a Better World (OE4BW)
Mentees: Claudia Muellauer (Austria), Hang Ngo (Australia), Sea Fong Liang (Singapore)
Project: Climate Alliance
- 2024 Asia Europe Foundation (ASEF) Classroom Network School Collaboration, Centre for Knowledge Transfer in Information Technologies, Jožef Stefan Institute, Slovenia
Mentees: Hui Leng Leung (Singapore), Mirela Petkova (Bulgaria); Vanessa Riley (Australia); Siti Munirah Hj Sazali (Brunai)
Project: Innovative Teaching Practice: Learning about AI and Learning with AI
- 2024 Open University Applaud Mentor (Academic Professional Development)
Mentee: Dr. Marco Distinto
Project: Fellowship of the Higher Education Academy
- 2023-2024 Fellowship Academy
Mentee: Dr. Ben Evans (Languages and Applied Linguistics, The Open University, UK)
Project: Social justice and the hidden curriculum in the music classroom: UK state-funded music education and its authentic recognition and development of young people's emergent, informal relationship with music
- 2022-2023 UK Research & Innovation Future Leaders Fellows Development Network
Mentee: Dr. Fabrizio Alberti (School of Life Sciences, University of Warwick)
Project: Developing a Synthetic Biology Platform to Produce High-Value Chemicals in Mushrooms
- 2022 UK Research & Innovation Future Leaders Fellows Development Network
Mentee: Dr. Joseph Lyman (Astronomy & Astrophysics, University of Warwick)
Project: New frontiers in transient astrophysics: gravitational-wave multi-messenger events and exotic stellar explosions
- 2021-2022 UNESCO Open Education for a Better World (OE4BW)
Mentee: Dr. Roshini Pillay (University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, South Africa)
Project: Group Work Education using the Authentic Learning Framework
- 2019-2020 UNESCO Open Education for a Better World (OE4BW)
Mentee: Lobna Alsrraj (Colorado Division of Homeland Security & Emergency, USA)
Project: OER Toolkit: How to Become an Advocate
- 2018-2019 SPARC Open Education Leadership Program
Mentee: Abbey Elder (Iowa State University, USA)
Project: Identifying OER Needs by Discipline
- 2018-2020 UNESCO Open Education for a Better World (OE4BW)
Mentee: Gino Fransman (Nelson Mandela University, Port Elizabeth, South Africa)
Project: Becoming an Open Education Influencer (BOEI)

Professional Development

The Open University (UK)

May 2025	Supervisor Development: Regulations Refresh and Policy Updates
Feb 2025	Research Methods Masterclass (Critical Discourse Analysis)
Jan 2025	Research Methods Masterclass (Qualitative Interviewing)
Dec 2024	Data Protection and Information Security Awareness (Refresher)
Dec 2024	Safeguarding (Refresher)
Sep 2024	Equality Essentials (Refresher)
Sep 2024	Prevent: Counter-Terrorism (Refresher)
May 2024	Healthy Working Ergonomics
Oct 2022	Safeguarding (Refresher)
Sep 2022	Data Protection and Information Security Awareness (Refresher)
Sep 2022	Equality Essentials (Refresher)
Sep 2022	Prevent: Counter-Terrorism (Refresher)
June 2022	Leading a Remote Team
May 2022	Working with Mental Health and Wellbeing Challenges
Mar 2022	Fire Safety Awareness
Oct 2021	Healthy Working (remote working, ergonomics, health & safety, etc.)
Jul 2021	Data Protection and Information Security Awareness
Jan 2021	Researcher Development Concordat
Oct 2020	Safeguarding (Refresher)
Sep 2020	Research Career Value Chain
Aug 2020	Equality Essentials
Aug 2020	Information Security Awareness (Refresher)
Aug 2020	Prevent: Counter-Terrorism (Refresher)
Aug 2020	Homeworking
Aug 2020	General Data Protection Regulations (Refresher)
Nov 2019	Doctoral Exam Panel Chairing
Jul 2019	Information Security Awareness
Oct 2018	Safeguarding I & II
Apr 2018	General Data Protection Regulations
Mar 2018	The Virtuous Researcher I & II
Sep 2017	Prevent: Counter-Terrorism I & II
Jul 2013	Selection Interviewing Skills
Apr 2013	PhD Supervision in STEM subjects

The UK Research Integrity Office (UKRIO)

May 2024	Introduction to Research Integrity
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Creativedge

May 2022	Remote Communication Skills
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WikiEducator

May-Jul 2021	OER Wiki Scholars Spring 2021
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EdX

Nov 2020	Data Ethics, AI and Responsible Innovation (University of Edinburgh)
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FutureLearn

Aug 2020 Philosophy of Technology and Design: Shaping the Relations Between Humans and Technologies

Creative Commons

Oct-Dec 2019 Creative Commons Expert Certification for Educators

KKI Associates

May 2017 Consultancy: Key Skills

Inside Edge

Oct 2014 Media Training

Coursera

March 2013 Internet History, Technology, and Security (University of Michigan)

National Institutes of Health (USA)

Oct 2013 Protecting Human Research Participants

Aspect Training

Jun 2013 Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS)

The National Centre for Social Research

Jun 2013 The Analysis of Qualitative Data

Jun 2013 Reporting Qualitative Data

Oct 2011 Communicating Research to Policy & Practice

Oct 2011 Formulating Policy Recommendations

Oct 2010 Moderating Focus Groups

Oxford Projects

Mar 2010 Project Management

Centre for Entrepreneurial Learning, University of Cambridge

Jan 2007 'Enterprisers' – community building, planning, leadership, entrepreneurial culture and values

The University of Essex

2006 Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS)

Reed Training

2002-3 Advanced MS Word; Advanced MS Excel; PowerPoint

Happy Computers

2001-2 HTML; FTP; Advanced MS FrontPage

9 PUBLICATIONS

Contributions are 100% except where indicated.

Books

1. **Farrow, R.** (ed.), Ashman, L., Baff, D., Bozkurt, A., Dubien, D., Elias, T., Eldridge, B., Iniesto, F., Jacobsen, M., Jhangiani, R., Johnson, K. R., Johnston, S. L., Katz, S., Khetarpal, M., Mayisela, T., McGreal, R., O'Reilly, J., Peramunugamage, A., Pete, J., Pitt, B. & Vladimirsch, V. (2024). *The GO-GN Guide to Doctoral Supervision*. Global OER Graduate Network / Open Education Research Hub. https://go-gn.net/gogn_outputs/go-gn-guide-to-doctoral-supervision/ (Contribution: 50%)
2. **Farrow, R.** (ed.), Weller, M., Pitt, R., Iniesto, F., Algers, A., Almousa, S., Baas, M., Bentley, P., Bozkurt, A., Butler, W., Cardoso, P., Chena, N., Cox, G., Czerwonogora, A., Dabrowski, M.T., Derby, R., DeWaard, H., Elias, T., Essmiller, K., Funk, J., Hayman, J., Helton, E., Huth, K., Hutton, S. C., Iyinolakan, O., Johnson, K. R., Jordan, K., Kuhn, C., Lambert, S., Mittelmeier, J., Nagashima, T., Nerantzi, C., O'Reilly, J., Paskevicius, M., Peramunugamage, A., Pete, J., Power, V., Pulker, H., Rabin, E., Rets, I., Roberts, V., Rodés, V., Sousa, L., Spica, E., Vizgirda, V., Vladimirsch, V., & Witthaus, G. (2023). *The GO-GN Open Research Handbook*. Global OER Graduate Network / Open Education Research Hub. https://go-gn.net/gogn_outputs/open-research-handbook/ (Contribution: 50%)
3. **Farrow, R.**, Iniesto, F., Weller, M., Pitt, R., Algers, A., Baas, M., Bozkurt, A., Cox, G., Czerwonogora, A., Elias, T., Essmiller, K., Funk, J., Mittelmeier, J., Nagashima, T., Rabin, E., Rets, I., Spica, E., Vladimirsch, V. & Witthaus, G. (2021). *The GO-GN Guide to Conceptual Frameworks*. Open Education Research Hub. The Open University, UK. CC-BY 4.0. http://go-gn.net/gogn_outputs/conceptual-frameworks/ (Contribution: 66%)
4. **Farrow, R.**, Iniesto, F., Weller, M. & Pitt, R. (2020). *The GO-GN Research Methods Handbook*. Open Education Research Hub. The Open University, UK. CC-BY 4.0. http://go-gn.net/gogn_outputs/research-methods-handbook/ (Contribution: 75%)
5. **Farrow, R.**, Perryman, L.-A., de los Arcos, B., Weller, M. & Pitt, R. (2016). *OER Hub Researcher Pack – a toolkit for open education researchers*. Open Education Research Hub. <https://oerhub.pressbooks.com/> (Contribution: 35%)
6. Pitt, R. de los Arcos, B. **Farrow, R.** and Weller, M. (2016). *Open Research*. Open Education Research Hub. <http://oro.open.ac.uk/48035> (Contribution: 25%)

Chapters in Books

7. Weller, M., Bridgeman, S. & **Farrow, R.** (2019). Existing types of MOOCs and approaches to MOOC didactics. In BizMOOC (2019). *MOOC BOOK*. <https://mooc-book.eu/index/learn-more/key-areas/types/> (Contribution: 25%)
8. Weller, M., Pitt, R., de los Arcos, B. & **Farrow, R.** (2017). Impact of OER on teaching and learning practices. In Jhangiani, R., & Biswas-Deiner, R. (eds.) *Open: The philosophy and practices that are revolutionizing psychological science and education*. Ubiquity Press (Contribution: 25%)
9. 'Ethics' in **Farrow, R.**, Perryman, L.-A., de los Arcos, B., Weller, M. & Pitt, R. (2016). *OER Hub Researcher Pack – a toolkit for open education researchers*. Open Education Research Hub. <https://oerhub.pressbooks.com/>

10. **Farrow, R.** (2016). Constellations of Openness. In Deimann, M. and Peters, M. A. (eds.) *The Philosophy of Open Learning: Peer Learning and the Intellectual Commons*. New York: Peter Lang.
11. Weller, M., **Farrow, R.**, Pitt, R., de los Arcos, B. & McAndrew, P. (2016). Identifying Categories of OER Users. In Bliss, T. J. & Blessinger, P. (eds.) *Open Education: International Perspectives in Higher Education*. Cambridge, UK: Open Book Publishers. (Contribution: 20%)
12. McAndrew, P. & **Farrow, R.** (2013). Open Education Research: From the Practical to the Theoretical. In McGreal, R., Kinuthia, W. and Marshall, S. (eds) *Open Educational Resources: Innovation, Research and Practice*. Commonwealth of Learning and Athabasca University, Vancouver. pp.65-78 (Contribution: 60%)
13. De Liddo, A., Buckingham Shum, S., McAndrew, P. & **Farrow, R.** (2012). The Open Education Evidence Hub: A Collective Intelligence Tool for Evidence Based Policy. In Okada, A. ed. (2012). *Open Educational Resources and Social Networks: Co-Learning and Professional Development*. London: Scholio Educational Research & Publishing.
<https://citeseerx.ist.psu.edu/document?repid=rep1&type=pdf&doi=128b87ec65542ad3c65060a23b328eb1494faef3> (Contribution: 30%)
14. **Farrow, R.** & Rodwell, J. (2012). That's a Problem; It's Not a Gift. In Ralkowski, M. (ed.) *Philosophy and Curb Your Enthusiasm: Awaken the Social Assassin Within*. Chicago: Open Court Press. (Contribution: 65%)
15. **Farrow, R.** & Fulantelli, G. (2010). Involving Policymakers in Research Partnership: The MOTILL Project Experience. In Klucznik-Törő, A., Bodis, K., and Istvan, K. P. (eds.) *From Education to Innovation*. Budapest: IHEPI (Contribution: 50%)
16. **Farrow, R.** (2010). Bletchley Park Text. In Arrigo, M., et al. (eds.) *Mobile Technologies in Lifelong Learning: Best Practices*. Italian National Research Council.
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