Presentation

The second Unite! Boot Camp continues the series of Task Forces 4 and 5 annual events. It presents the developments on Virtual Campus (TF4) and Teaching and Learning Academy (TF5) to the Unite! community. The objective is to collect feedback on these initiatives from the participants, explore synergies with other Task Forces and discuss the next steps to take.

The event is addressed to academic, teaching, technical, and administrative staff and students in Unite! Attendance is open to the participation of any member of the Unite! alliance interested in these topics.

The Meeting is hosted via Unite! Metacampus and ZOOM by UPC – BarcelonaTech (the ZOOM link can be found in the Metacampus). Please make sure that you have the most updated version of ZOOM (5.0).

Registration

Registration through the Metacampus will be open from 24th May to 6th June. Please see the registration procedure at the end of this document.

PLEASE NOTE: The event may be recorded by the hosts of the ZOOM sessions and photographs are taken. These photographs (and possible videos) will be used for the purposes of the Unite! Alliance. If you do not wish to appear in photographs or possible videos, you must let the organizer/host know prior to the start of the meeting.
Unite! Boot Camp II Program

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Unite! Metacampus

Unite! Metacampus will be used as a support tool during the Boot Camp. After registration (through metacampus) participants will have access to detailed information and resources for each session, including Zoom links, materials, forums for online discussions, etc.

https://metacampus.unite-university.eu/
DAY 1: Monday 7th June 2021
13:30 – 13:45 CET: Opening and Welcome
Welcome from Rector of UPC - BarcelonaTech
Katrina Nordström, Task Force 5 coordinator (Aalto)
Presentation of “Unite! Task Forces 4 and 5 mid term news” (short video by Katrina Nordström and Tomi Kauppinen)

Jesus Alcober (UPC)
Goals:
- Explain the current functionalities of Metacampus and future developments
Target:
- Task Forces 4 and 5 members as well as members from other Task Forces
- Academics and staff involved in already running Unite! courses and programmes
- IT – pedagogies experts, and others with IT background from partner universities
Session dynamics:
- Short presentation

14:00 – 15:25 CET: Virtual Learning. Design sprint (I)
Tomi Kauppinen, Task Force 4 coordinator (Aalto)
Goals:
- Gain inspiration and generate ideas for virtual learning and teaching
- Draft and develop new course concepts that take virtual learning to the next level
- Share best practices for virtual learning across disciplines and course formats
Target:
- People involved in course or programme development
- People interested in virtual learning
- Students at all levels
Session dynamics:
- Short introduction by session leaders
- Free discussion and co-creation activity
- Workshop wrap-up and conversation
15:30 – 16:55 CET: Joint Programs in Unite! – Joint Programme Management: Do’s and Don’ts
Karin Knutsson (KTH) and Marta Abrantes (ULisboa)

Goals:
- To present cases for joint management approaches of Unite! joint programmes
- To identify 3 topics for lessons learned and best practices for the future development of JPs
- To provide recommendations for developers: available guides and checklists

Target:
- Task Force 5 members as well as members from other Task Forces
- Academics interested in joint programme management for developing dual degree programmes into joint programmes or setting up a new joint programme
- Academics and staff involved in already running joint programmes

Session dynamics:
- Short presentations by session leaders
- Open discussion on three identified topics
- Wrapping up and conclusions

After boot camp:
- Conclusions and guidelines for joint programmes will be available through the metacampus.

DAY 2: Tuesday 15th June 2021

Annette Glathe (TU Darmstadt) and Arnold Pears (KTH)

Goals:
- Present a peer reflection on teaching structure
- Discuss intercultural exchanges in teaching and appreciation of teaching practice
- Support joint program teachers in teaching in international groups

Target:
- Teachers / Faculty from Unite! joint programs
- Students from Unite! partners
- Members from all taskforces
  The more variety of participants we have, the better!

Session dynamics:
- Short presentations by session leaders
- Discussion in breakout groups
- Wrapping up and reports from breakout groups

Before the session:
- Participants are encouraged to read key documents available in the Metacampus, in preparation to the session (15 min)

After boot camp:
- Metacampus will be open to continue online discussion on the documents.
11:00 – 12:25 CET: Virtual Reality. Design sprint (II)  
Tomi Kauppinen, Task Force 4 coordinator (Aalto)

Goals:
- To get new ideas how to strategically use Virtual Reality and how to combine that with teaching.

Target:
- People involved in course or programme development
- People interested in virtual learning
- Students

Session dynamics:
- Short presentations by session leaders
- Open discussions and brainstorming

Before the session:
- Get familiar with results from Design Sprint #1 that will be available through the metacampus.

13:30 – 13:55 CET: Corridor conversations (I)  
Talk for 5 minutes with some Boot Camp participants, in several random groups of 3, just as you would if you met them in the corridors, between sessions.

14:00 – 15:25 CET: Unite! Joint Programs from a Strategy Perspective  
Jana Freihoefer (TU Darmstadt) and Luis Miguel Silveira (ULisboa)

Goals:
- To present and discuss the strategy goals for Unite! Joint programs (first draft), which have been developed by the Working Group on Joint Programs
- To refine the strategic framework (goals, added value, means etc.)

Target:
- Task Force 5 members as well as members from other Task Forces
- People interested in developing JPs or people who are already running JPs
- Students from SURE!/potential prospective students

Session dynamics:
- Short presentations by session leaders
- Interactive discussion with participants

After boot camp:
- Metacampus will be open to continue online discussion.
15:30 – 16:55 CET: Flexible Study Pathways
Isabel Gonçalves (ULisboa) and Katrina Nordström (Aalto)

Goals:
- To communicate the content of the report on Flexible Study Pathways
- Get feedback on enablers, obstacles and recommendations
- Discuss next steps and connections between Joint Programmes and Flexible Study Pathways in the future, for Unite!

Target:
- Task Force 5 members as well as members from other Task Forces
- Teaching and Nonteaching Staff interested in developing Joint Programmes or people who are already running Joint Programmes
- Students from SURE! And other prospective students
- Invited experts from national bodies (regulatory experts, QM and similar)

Session dynamics:
- Short presentation by session leaders
- Break-out rooms with mixed groups where (structured) feedback regarding recommendations and possible challenges/opportunities in order to implement them within Unite! will be collected
- Interactive discussion with participants and summary of main conclusions

Before the session:
- Participants are encouraged to have a look at the Flexible Study Pathways report and answer some preliminary questions through the metacampus

After boot camp:
- Metacampus will be open to continue discussion and make available summary and conclusions.

DAY 3: Wednesday 16th June 2021
9:30 – 10:55 CET: Interlinks
Francisco Calviño (UPC) and Miguel Valero (UPC)

Goals:
- To know what other Task Forces, connected to Task Forces 4 and 5, are doing
- To identify what other Task Forces, connected to Task Forces 4 and 5 could need from them
- Identify synergies for future action

Target:
- People involved in Task Forces 4 and 5
- Guests from:
  1. Student Engagement and Welcome Center (task 3.2)
  2. Teachers Communities and Virtual Exchange Credit Program (task 7.2 and Task Force 6)
  3. Lifelong Learning (task 9.3)
- People suggested by guests

Session dynamics:
- Short presentations by each of our guests from other Task Forces
- Interactive discussion with participants

After boot camp:
- Metacampus will be open to continue discussion and make available summary and conclusions.
11:00 – 12:25 CET: Decide. Design sprint (III)
Tomi Kauppinen, Task Force 4 coordinator (Aalto)

Goals:
- To critique the different ideas from design sprint previous sessions and decide which best align with the Unite! goals (especially Task Forces 4 and 5). Creation of a plan.

Target:
- People involved in course or programme development
- People interested in virtual learning
- Students

Session dynamics:
- Breakout rooms to critique ideas
- Voting and prioritization of ideas
- Breakout rooms to discuss plans

Before the session:
- Get familiar with results from Design Sprint #1 and #2 that will be available through the metacampus.

After boot camp:
- Commenting the results and plans, online discussion via metacampus.

Mirko Varano (KTH) adn Eija Kujanpää (Aalto)

Goals:
- To present and discuss the available funding opportunities suitable for the development and implementation of Joint Programs
- To facilitate the development of new Joint Programmes following the Unite! requirements
- To support existing Joint Programmes among Unite! partners to access funding instruments

Target:
- Task Force 5 members
- Academics already running Joint Programmes
- Programme directors and administrators interested in developing new Joint Programmes
- Internal grant writers and R&I officers

Session dynamics:
- Short presentations by session leaders
- Questions and answers
- Polling and discussion
- Wrapping up and conclusions

Before the session:
- Participants are encouraged to read key documents available in the Metacampus, in preparation to the session
15:00 – 15:25 CET: Corridor conversations (II)
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groups of 3, just as you would if you met them in the corridors, between
sessions.

15:30 – 16:25 CET: Developing Teaching and Learning Unite!
Annette Glathe (TU Darmstadt) and Arnold Pears (KTH)

Goals:

- Get feedback from other Task Forces’ members on the current activities in Teaching and Learning
  Unite! (already carried out and planned activities). What other topics are needed? Who
could/should contribute other activities?
- Have a discussion whether, as a long term objective, the development of a joint diploma or
certificate in Scholarship of Teaching and Learning could be interesting within Unite!.
  - Who would profit from such a certificate (e.g. tenure track faculty members? Unite! as
    an alliance?)
  - Which challenges would we face in case we would want to implement such a certificate
    as an academic merit and promotion system within Unite!?

Target:

- All interested students and teachers in Unite!
- People involved from Task Forces 4 and 5
- Members from Task Forces 3 or 7
- People nominated by Task Forces 3 or 7 or other Task Forces

Session dynamics:

- Short presentations by session leaders
- Discussion in breakout groups
- Wrapping up and reports from breakout groups

After boot camp:

- Metacampus will be open to continue refinement of ideas about new activities within the
  program and certificate/diploma.
- Final documents on conclusions will be made available on Metacampus.

16:30 – 17:00 CET: Closing of the Boot Camp
Katrina Nordström, Task Force 5 coordinator (Aalto)
Tomi Kauppinen, Task Force 4 coordinator (Aalto)
Vicerector for international policy UPC - BarcelonaTech
Unite! Boot Camp II Registration
Open from 24th May to 6th June

**Step 1:** Access to Unite! Metacampus at: https://metacampus.unite-university.eu/

**Step 2:** In Available courses find “Unite Boot Camp II” and click to access.

**Step 3:** Log in if you already have an account for metacampus. Create new account otherwise.

**Step 4:** Once logged in, enrol in the Boot Camp.

**Step 5:** Once enrolled you will have access to the Boot Camp space.