The Online Centre for Achievement and Progression

Lerverne Barber Will Bowen-Jones



Key Issues facing the University

- Communication and Consistency
- Academic Tutoring
- Assessment and Feedback
- Our solution? To create a sustainable resource to take us forward

Brings together 2 other university initiatives:

- HEA 'Changing the Learning Landscape' Initiative (2013/14) raised awareness of the use of technology to enhance learning
- Students as Academic Partners co-creators of knowledge and resources

Aims to:

- Create an information portal *for* students *by* students;
- Enhance the way the Institute of Sport and Exercise Science communicates with students and makes visible and readily accessible resources (many pre-existing) which support students to maximise their academic potential;
- Enable students to access support at critical times on their academic journeys;
- Improve consistency in responses to questions.
- http://www.nbpublications.co.uk/ocap/

Next steps

Evaluate success of the initiative

Principal research question:

How useful is OCAP in supporting students to progress and achieve academically?

Subsidiary questions:

- 1. How often have the materials been accessed?
- 2. Are there improvements that could be made?
- 3. How important has OCAP been in enhancing the way we communicate and make visible supporting materials and resources?

Further subsidiary question relevant to Yr2/3 students:

Has OCAP enhanced your academic progress in comparison with when it was not available?

Data collection

Mixed methods approach

- Student focus group interviews
- Academic and professional staff interviews
- On-line student survey
- Server data indicating the frequency of access to OCAP.