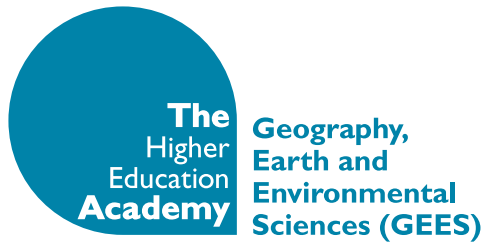


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Practical and Laboratory Work in Earth and Environmental Sciences: guide to good practice and helpful resources

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GEES Subject Centre

The Subject Centre for Geography, Earth and Environmental Sciences (GEES) is part of the national network of the Higher Education Academy, an independent organisation for the UK higher education sector. The GEES Subject Centre aims to improve the learning and teaching experiences of everyone in these disciplines in UK and is a national and international hub in the exchange of knowledge on learning and teaching across the three subjects. It provides a voice for these communities, contributing to government consultations and policy developments. The Centre has a UK-wide brief and this is reflected in the locations of its activities which include:

Events

The GEES Subject Centre organises a wide range of events and collaborates with other organisations to provide: national conferences, departmental workshops, seminars for new lecturers, and support events for project grant holders.

Publications

The GEES Subject Centre produces the bi-annual publication *Planet*, containing articles on learning and teaching, project updates, a diary of forthcoming events, resource information, and news of interest to staff and students in the GEES disciplines in higher education. Other publications include Learning and Teaching Guides, Resource Briefings and regular newsletters.

Resources

The GEES Subject Centre Resource Database brings together high quality resources for higher education learning and teaching in the Subject Centre disciplines. It includes information on case studies of good practice, tutorials and CDs.

Enquiry Service

The enquiry service is open to all GEES staff in higher education and deals with a wide range of queries throughout the year on teaching and learning.

Research and Development

The GEES Subject Centre has an ongoing programme of support for pedagogic research and development projects. Funds have been awarded for research into topics including employability, virtual-learning environments, fieldwork, and postgraduate teaching.

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