You are invited to an exciting CPD and networking opportunity, aimed at staff supporting students in the FE sector.

On Wednesday 1st July, the University of Bolton will host its first ‘Breaking Barriers’ event- aimed at supporting colleagues in colleges and sixth forms who themselves support students during their transition to university.

During the event, delegates will learn more about the support available for students in the Higher Education sector and have the opportunity to speak to specialist advisors from the University of Bolton and other external organisations.

The University of Bolton is proud to welcome guest speaker, Karen Jones, who will be facilitating an hour long workshop focused on supporting students with specific learning difficulties. Further information and a full programme of events can be found overleaf.

For further information about schools and colleges activities, please visit our website:
http://www.bolton.ac.uk/TeachersAndAdvisors

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Programme- Wednesday 1st July 2015

11.15 -12.00- Registration - light refreshments with official welcome to the University of Bolton from Executive Dean, Dr. Ebrahim Adia.

12.00 -13.00- Workshop- ‘Definitions for SpLDs and increasing complexities’ with Karen Jones
This workshop gives an overview of the range of specific learning difficulties and the increasing complexities of student profiles identified during psychological assessments.

Aims
• To give an overview of the range of difficulties faced by students in higher education
• To develop an understanding of the complexities in psychological assessment and reports
• To clarify why psychologists use particular terminology and what is accepted by SFE (and equivalent funding bodies)

Facilitated by Karen Jones. Karen is a Chartered Educational Psychologist with years of experience of working in HE, FE and schools. She is a Director of The Educational Guidance Service (EGS), founded in the 1990’s. EGS psychologists work in universities and the wide variety of organisations which provide higher education courses and in colleges and schools across the country where they undertake assessments and provide training for staff.

13.00 -15.30- Marketplace
Opportunity for delegates to speak with specialist staff from across the University providing help and advice, including stalls from:

Student Liaison Officers / Counselling / Chaplaincy / Funding / Halls / Disability / International & Welfare / Library / Student Union / Course reps / Skills 4 success / UTC

External stall holders, including:
BiDAS / Barry Bennetts / IBSL / NAS / Broadbents / EGS Educational Psychologists Service

• During the Marketplace there will be the opportunity for delegates to have confidential one-to-one discussions with specialist services.

• Delegates will also have the opportunity to tour our student support facilities, including: Student Services, Chaplaincy, Careers and Library

15:30- Event Closes

Visit the University of Bolton’s website for further information about this event, and to book your place:
www.bolton.ac.uk/breakingbarriers