



Sense About Science Workshop

Research: publishing it, reviewing it and talking about it publicly

This event is open to early career researchers (PhD students, post-doctoral fellows or equivalent in first job) in all sciences, medicine and engineering , and will be held on Friday 23rd January at Sussex University

The workshop will run from 2pm to 6pm and will consist of the following sessions:

- **Reviewing and being reviewed (2:00 – 3:30)**

Examining the process of peer review in journal publishing and grant applications: what does peer review do for science? How can early career researchers engage with the process?

Speakers: Andrew Sugden, International Managing Editor, *Science*; Emma James, Research Business Manager, MRC; Dr Steve Keevil, MRI Consultant, Guy's and St. Thomas' and King's College London

- **Peer review, warts and all (4:00 – 6:00)**

Exploring the criticisms of the peer review process; does it detect fraud and misconduct? Is maverick science rejected?

What is the public perception of peer review? Can it help the public understand the status of scientific claims? How do journalists use peer review and how does the media report the status and quality of research?

Speakers: Ian Sample, *The Guardian*; Speaker from Elsevier [TBC]; Alice Tuff, Development Officer, Sense About Science

The workshop will be followed by a drinks reception from 6:00 to 7:30.

These workshops are very popular and there are limited places available.

Please apply with a CV and covering letter explaining your reason for applying to James Emmanuel **with the reference Peer Review Workshop 23/01/09** by email to jemmanuel@senseaboutscience.org or post to Sense About Science, 25 Shaftesbury Avenue, London, W1D 7EG. **Please state any affiliations you hold.**

The closing date for applications is Thursday 15th January.

For further information please visit www.senseaboutscience.org/VoYS or call 020 7478 4331.

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