Dr Alison Leggett - Staff Development Manager (Academic Staff), University of Bristol.

Dr Alison Leggett accumulated an in-depth knowledge of everyday life as an academic researcher achieving a PhD in Neuropharmacology at The University of Nottingham and going on to postdoctoral research positions at the University of Leicester and the University of Bristol. Alison now applies this insight to managing the portfolio of Academic Staff Development at the University of Bristol.

Her role involves designing and coordinating a range of training and development activities and corporate initiatives, developing information resources and providing advice and guidance on career development for all members of academic staff (on all 3 academic pathways) at the University. More recently, Alison has become involved in designing and delivering team development to a range of different teams across the University.

Alison’s particular passions lie in developing academic leadership and people management skills in order to improve the working life of academics and the productivity and success of research teams, and in promoting the concept of “transferable skills” to research staff.

Alison is a qualified Myers Briggs Type Indicator Practitioner and has recently completed the CIPD (Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development) PGDip in Human Resource Management at UWE.

Alison is a member of the national CROS Steering Group and the European Commission’s Institutional HR Strategy Group. Alison also edits Vitae’s Overview magazine and writes for jobs.ac.uk.

On a personal note, Alison currently spends a lot of her spare time rowing and competing for City of Bristol rowing club.