



# BALEAP Conference 2023: Caution! EAP under Deconstruction

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# Venturing out of my EAP comfort zone and making the familiar strange: a practitioner reconstructed in collaboration with the disciplines



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# Introduction

- Background/context
- Aims
  - O5 key questions
  - **O2 STEM courses**
  - Work in Progress: Outcomes and observations
  - Practitioner identity
  - Rethinking 5 key questions in your context

# **5 Key Questions**

- OWhat is EAP?
- Who is it for?
- O How do we 'do' EAP?
- O How do we embed EAP?
- What is the EAP practitioner's role in embedded disciplinespecific EAP?

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- to help module tutors and lab coaches design, create and deliver writing sessions, workshops and 'masterclasses' for physics students
- to give Physics tutors feedback on their session content, organisation and slides

# **UG Physics: Work in Progress**

- to do demo session/conduct lab report writing retreats for lab coaches (Physics lecturers and PhD students) for them to mirror with UG physics students
- to design lab report writing activities to develop a 'toolkit' for lab coaches to use with students rather than a 'course' delivered by an EAP tutor
- to give feedback on lab coach assessment feedback to students in terms of how it can be improved for clarity/reader-friendliness and actionable feedback on lab report writing
- to do ↑ with a view to skills development and progression across the degree course
- In absentia?

### **Observations on Outcomes**

### The Familiar

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### Familiar(ish)

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### Strange

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### **Observations on Outcomes: Hats in the Hatbox**

- Coach
- Collaborator
- Colleague
- Critical friend
- Ethnographer
- External examiner

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- Listener
- Teacher trainer
- Writing 'expert'



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# **PGR Dentistry: Work in Progress**

- EAP for PGRs
- **O** ESP
- O ESAPP?

### **Observations on Outcomes**

### The Familiar

EAP needs

ESP needs

Liaison and everything else involved in working with a new discipline

### Strange

**ESAPP** 

Fully qualified professionals as students

Developing academic guidelines part of the learning process

EAP Curriculum designed by students

Materials developed 'online'

Knowledge blending

### **Observations on Outcomes: Hats in the Hatbox**

- Academic Advisor
- Colleague
- Collaborator
- Critical friend
- Ethnographer
- Mediator

- Listener
- Scholar
- Supervisor
- Teacher trainer
- Writing 'expert'
- O ... Other

# **Identity Theories**



# 'But is it EAP?'

• What is EAP?

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# **Discussion**

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