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Statistics Support and Teaching Forum

Day 1 – Parallel III (17.00-17.30)

This forum is a follow-up from the workshop at the CETL MSOR 2012 conference and a meeting at the University of Sheffield in November 2012 which explored the methods for the provision of statistics support and teaching. The initial gatherings have brought together some of the likeminded practitioners of statistics support and teaching. The discussions at these events covered various issues that surrounded the provision of statistics support some of which are:

Sharing of resources

Supporting students rather than doing their analysis for them

Sharing teaching techniques and experiences

Demand for statistics support is higher than supply

Pros and cons: statistics taught by statistician or discipline specific academics

Maintaining the quality and integrity of statistics.

This is by no means a comprehensive list that is currently being discussed amongst statistic teachers and tutors but provide a good starting point to pick out a few important areas that would benefit from the **sigma** Network. The forum offers another opportunity for participation, contribution and involvement to an area that is highly important to students learning and eventually employment experience. How we achieve this within our available resources will be the key objective of this session.