Supporting Postgraduates who Teach Mathematics & Statistics

Following on from the inaugural series of events in 2005, the Maths, Stats & OR Network is pleased to announce six one-day regional workshops to provide discipline specific support, advice and guidance to postgraduate students who teach Mathematics and Statistics.

The workshops will be hosted by academics with significant experience of teaching within Higher Education, and will cover the following topics:

- Planning and Preparing for Teaching;
- Facilitating Problem Solving Classes;
- Encouraging Participation and Providing Support;
- Assessing Student Work and Providing Feedback.

There will be an interactive element throughout with which the participants will engage, and there will be an ongoing series of Questions & Answers so that participants may seek answers to specific questions that they may have.

The workshops have been designed so that they are applicable to postgraduates who are new to teaching this academic year, as well as those who have prior experience. There is no charge for delegates who wish to attend one of these events, however, a cancellation fee will be charged to those who register but fail to attend without providing at least one week’s notice; lunch and refreshments will be provided. For further details and to book online please visit www.mathstore.ac.uk/postgrads2006

University of Nottingham
Thursday 28th September

University of Birmingham
Tuesday 3rd October

University of Leeds
Thursday 19th October

London (at the London Mathematical Society)
Monday 23rd October

University of Glasgow
Wednesday 25th October

University of Bristol
Wednesday 1st November

The Maths, Stats & OR Network Induction Course for New Lecturers
14 –15 September 2006
The University of Birmingham

The Maths, Stats & OR Network is pleased to announce that it will once again be running its two-day Induction Course for lecturers new to teaching Mathematics and Statistics within Higher Education. The Induction Course has been running since 2001, and over 180 new academic members of staff have benefited from attending in this time.

The Induction Course will focus upon the specific details and issues that arise when teaching either Mathematics or Statistics within Higher Education, and will address the following topics:

- Lecturing;
- Supporting Student Learning;
- The use of Examples;
- Assessment, Examinations & Feedback;
- Linking Teaching & Research;
- Computer Assisted Assessment;
- Publishing Mathematics on the Web

The Induction Course takes place within the School of Mathematics (Watson Building) and will commence mid-morning on the 14th September. It will end with lunch on the 15th September. Accommodation will be in the newly refurbished Shackleton Halls of Residence that are a short walk from the main campus. The fee for attending this event is £90, which includes all meals and accommodation. For further details and information on how to register, please visit mathstore.ac.uk/workshops/induction2006

an excellent introduction to maths lecturing
Chris Budd, LMS Education Secretary