

Description and images of refurbishment work

The images below show a selection of the capital expenditure projects which the five ALPS partners have undertaken.

The University of Huddersfield

The School of Human and Health Sciences used money from the school budget, ALPS capital funding and sponsorship from suppliers to significantly refurbish their clinical skills suite.



The photo is taken during a clinical simulation day for adult nursing where the 'ward' area of the suite is populated by volunteers from the staff and interactive mannequins.

Student nurses run the ward and manage the day to day routine and crises that occur. This is a fantastic opportunity to practice in a safe but unpredictable environment and the up to date facilities make the simulation realistic and challenging.



The photo shows the operating theatre simulation in full flow.

Operating Department Practice staff and students are able to realistically simulate operating theatre conditions to practice skills around scrub practice, anaesthetics and post operative care. The proximity to the ward environment within the same suite facilitates further simulation regarding transition between departments, communication, safety and much more.

Left to right: Gemma Young, Brian Taylor, Christine Cantwell, Martin Smith, Moira Tyas and Lorraine Bridgwood.

University of Leeds

The ALPS Group Study Area has been developed within the Health Sciences Library. Here, students can work in small teams using resources designed for group work. Teamworking and interdisciplinarity are skills on which ALPS has a particular focus and the ALPS Group Study Area reflects this important tenet of ALPS.



Unlike most study rooms where 'silence is golden', the ALPS Group Study Area is a modern, friendly space where students can discuss as much as they like - in fact, they're encouraged to develop skills such as communication, listening, teamwork and ethical practice by exchanging ideas with their peers.



With acoustic panels on the walls to absorb sound, the area is also a wireless hotspot where students can access online learning tools, such as quizzes, videos, diagrams, teaching notes, podcasts or their own personal blogs.

This study area has been showcased at the **International Conference on Information and Learning Commons in Hong Kong**. Trish Walker, ALPS Programme Manager, and Liz Waller, Head of Public Service Strategy at Leeds University Library, presented "The Library Chameleon: changing spaces for 21st Century Learning".

The preliminary stage of evaluation is part of ongoing work to assess this space for learning to see whether it meets the expectations of students and how it has affected their work practices. Initial feedback from students is that the space is well used, that they find the environment, including light, noise control and furniture, conducive to working in groups. Future evaluation is planned and will involve working with academics and educators.

To watch the Conference Presentation - click [here](#) (warning - this is a large file and may take a while to access)

York St John University

Artists impression of the new building in which the ALPS / Placement Office will be located from Sept 2008



York St John University - ALPS/Placement Office



York St John University - ALPS/Placement Office floor plan

Leeds Metropolitan University

ALPS' funds have been jointly used with the Institute for Enterprise which, with other funding sources Leeds Metropolitan have used for the acquisition and redevelopment of Old Broadcasting House. This provides a fantastic resource which supports and showcases the work of Leeds Metropolitan's CETLs.



Old Broadcasting House, Leeds Metropolitan University

The photo shows the completed building. It was used at an event held in April 2007 in which students from the Faculty of Health showcased their final year project work.

The design of the main space at Old Broadcasting House enables very flexible display areas with state of the art e-technology and we hope to use this to showcase the various workstreams of ALPS over the coming year. It is particularly well suited to showcasing ALPS developments in mobile technology usage.

ALPS have used Old Broadcasting House for:

The two Leeds Metropolitan ALPS Teaching Fellows (Dr Jill Taylor and Catherine Coates) have a large office space within the building which they share with CETL Teaching Fellows from the other two Leeds Metropolitan CETLs. This is designed to promote interaction and collaborative working between CETLs.

Old Broadcasting House is now regularly used for ALPS meetings including:

- our partner site ALPS Joint Management Group meetings
- recent research meetings
- IT and E-evaluation Group meeting
- as a base for the HEFCE programme evaluation visit



Old Broadcasting House, Leeds Metropolitan University.

The photo shows the latter stages of the redevelopment.

