Gale Macleod



Gale Macleod is Professor of Interpersonal Relationships in Education in Moray House School of Education and Sport (MHSES) and has worked at the University since 2004.

She came to the University after 10 years first as a care-worker and then a teacher in schools and units for young people presenting with disruptive behaviour. Since coming to the University, she has taught at all levels, supervised over 20 PhD students and 100+ Master's dissertations, and co-ordinated courses with over 900 students. Gale has acted as Programme Director for the School of Education PhD Programme, and for the MEd in Pastoral care and Behaviour Support. She was the MHSES Director of Postgraduate Studies from 2008 - 2011 and the College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences Dean of Postgraduate

Taught from 2013 – 2016. From 2021 – 2024 she was a Trustee of the UK Council for Graduate Education. Gale's research focuses on three areas: disruptive behaviour in schools, parental engagement, and student experience in Higher Education. She is the co-ordinator of the Higher Education Research Group based in MHSES and is on the Steering Committee for Edinburgh Academics for Academic Freedom.

Register of Interests