



PDP and HEAR: New opportunities at the University of St Andrews

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Overview



- What's in the HEAR?
- Section 6.1 Additional Achievements
- How do PDP and e-Portfolios support HEAR?
- Key issues and things to consider



What's in the HEAR?

(Higher Education Achievement Report)



1. Information identifying the holder of the qualification
2. Information identifying the qualification
3. Information on the level of qualification
4. Information on the contents and results gained
5. Information on the function of the qualification
6. Additional achievements
7. Certification
8. Information on the national HE System



Section 6.1 Additional Achievements

Richer picture of student achievement and verified additional achievements

- University, professional and departmental prizes
- Measured or assessed performance in non-academic contexts, eg employability awards
- Additional recognised activities, demonstrating achievement, but no academic credit, for example Course Representatives or Students' Union Officers





How do PDP and e-Portfolios support HEAR?





Degree
Courses & modules –
marks / grades and
credits

PDP / e-Portfolio

HEAR document

S4. Contents &
results gained

S6.1 Additional
Achievements

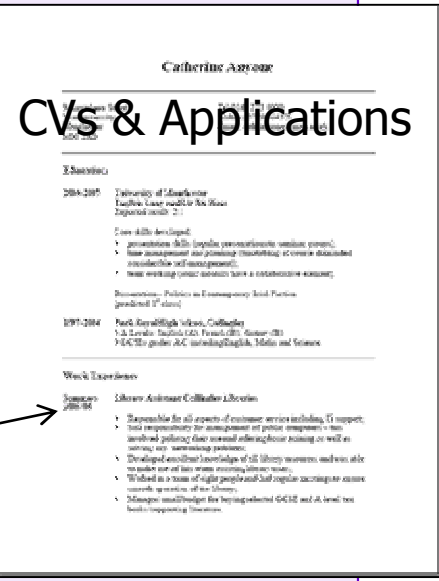
Extra / co-curricular
activities

Awards & prizes

Activities

Work experience

Skills



PDP / e-Portfolio give rich
examples to bring a
student's experiences to
life at interview





St Andrews approach so far...



- PDP as part of Academic Advising
- St Andrews Award
 - Strong reflective element
 - Making sense of experiences and activities
 - Able to articulate experiences and development in a meaningful way
- e-Portfolio – repository and log of experiences and evidence
- Pockets of good practice



Key issues and things to consider



- Implications for learning, teaching and assessment
 - Making it explicit
 - Encouraging students to review their record online periodically
 - Use of assessment, importance of formative
 - Providing support
- For Section 6.1 - What will be included?
Where will the information come from?
How will it be verified?
- Who's responsible and how will they be held accountable?



the st andrews award

Challenging yourself to go further...

www.st-andrews.ac.uk/award

"Every man has in himself a continent of undiscovered character. Happy is he who acts as the Columbus to his own soul."

Sir James Stephen