

Examples of Athena SWAN events:

- **Soapbox Science**
Female scientists from Newcastle University and beyond took their soapboxes to the streets to talk about their research with the public. Topics included dwarf planets, fish detectives, cancer, soil and bacteria. The outreach event was a huge success, with speakers engaging with 19,000 members of the public, making it the most successful Soapbox Science event this year.
(Newcastle University)
- **Public talk: 'Targeting the Glass Ceiling'**
Interview with the Vice Chancellor of the University of Brunel, Professor Julia Buckingham, on the difficulties women face in making it to Professor. Followed by a question and answer session on the challenges affecting the career progression of women in Higher Education.
(Liverpool John Moores University)
- **Public talk: 'Everyday Sexism'**
Laura Bates explained the origins and findings of the 'Everyday Sexism' projects, as well as its ongoing work with schools, universities, police forces and politicians in the fight against sexism and prejudice.
(Newcastle University)
- **Workshop: 'Making Professor'**
Event aimed at female academic staff wishing to progress in their academic career, featuring a speech by Chester's first female Professor. Followed by an interactive group work session encouraging participants to plan their career path with the support of peers.
(Department of Biological Sciences, University of Chester)
- **Event: 'Women in Maths'**
Students and academics delivered lectures, panel discussions and talks on mathematics to school children to celebrate 150 years of the London Mathematical Society.
(Mathematical Institute, University of Oxford)
- **Visit: Professor Averil Macdonald and Dr Helen Meese**
The Non-Executive Director of the WISE Campaign (Professor Averil Macdonald) visited Schools in the Faculty of Science, Agriculture and Engineering to talk about her report 'Not for People Like Me'. The Head of Engineering in Society for the Institution of Mechanical Engineers (Dr Helen Meese) also visited the School of Mechanical and Systems Engineering as part of the visit.
(Newcastle University)



- **Public talk: ‘Promoting Gender Equality in Science’**
 Professor Tom Welton from Imperial College was invited to talk about the work carried out by the Department of Chemistry; which achieved a Gold Athena SWAN Award in 2013.
(Sheffield Hallam University)
- **Event: ‘Building Success’**
 Focusing on women in architecture and related areas. Key speakers included the President Elect for the Royal Society of British Architects (Jane Duncan) and the Chair of the Parliamentary Select Committee for Science and Technology (MP Andrew Miller).
(School of Architecture, University of Portsmouth)
- **Seminar: ‘Athena SWAN: A Dean’s Perspective’**
 Presentation explored the challenges and opportunities of applying for Athena SWAN awards. Followed by an opportunity for individuals to take part in a focus group regarding future Athena SWAN initiatives.
(University of Brighton)
- **Event: ‘Make it Happen’**
 Symposium to promote International Women’s Day at which guest speakers were invited to provide a personal insight into their careers. Speakers included the (Professor Melanie Welham (BBSRC Director of Science), Jill Golightly (SAGe Director of Faculty Operations) and Professor Helen Arthur (Institute of Genetic Medicine).
(Institute of Cell and Molecular Biology, Newcastle University)
- **Event: ‘Equality in Biology’**
 Event celebrating International Women’s Day featuring guest speakers and talks by students and academics on their roles and chosen career paths. The aim of the event was to provide careers advice, networking and a question and answer session.
(School of Biology, Newcastle University)
- **Seminar: ‘Beyond the glass ceiling: the glass cliff and the precariousness of women’s leadership positions’**
 Professor Michelle Ryan from the University of Exeter presented an overview of her research examining the types of leadership positions that women tend to occupy and the precariousness of these roles. Professor Ryan holds a British Academy mid-career fellowship examining the role of identity in determining perception of work-life balance.
(School of Biological and Chemical Sciences, Queen Mary’s University London)