

Academic Forum

Diversifying our approach to academic engagement through collaboration.

United Utilities, the Environment Agency and Natural Course have been exploring ways of diversifying engagement with the academic community with the help of academic staff from a number of universities mainly from the North West of England (but not exclusively).



We have established a **collaborative academic forum** to facilitate a more open dialogue between academia, business and regulation authority on the research questions that exist in environmental management and the water industry.

Objectives of the Academic Forum:

- To gain a better understanding of the subject area research expertise within academia
- To provide visibility of the environmental challenges and the outcomes sought
- To provide focus, support and guidance on research questions
- To offer a platform for students to showcase their research

Universities who are actively involved to date:

University of
Salford
MANCHESTER

 **Newcastle**
University

Sheffield
Hallam
University

 **LIVERPOOL**
JOHN MOORES
UNIVERSITY

Lancaster
University 