



Invitation for papers for the EACS symposium 27th and 28th February 2014 hosted by the University of Hull

Caring Science is a feature of nursing curricula in Scandinavia and Caring Theories have predominated in USA nursing since the early 80s. In the UK there remains a lack of clarity in the professional literature regarding the meaning of caring. European ideologies on caring are diversely represented in the literature and there has been little synthesis of these ideas a body of knowledge to guide practice. As the family of European cultures expands and the trend towards enhanced interdisciplinarity and interprofessional collaboration in health care proceeds, it is timely to consider how these notions can be harmonised into a body of knowledge that furthers the promotion of caring science. The European Academy of Caring Science (EACS) is a collaboration of member institutions and individuals with the collective intention of taking forward caring science from a European perspective.

This symposium intends to share our knowledge and understanding of caring science and explain how it enhances and/or underpins the scholarly work of members of the academy in relation to the four themes of activity for EACS. Papers may choose any aspect of caring science for their presentation, the themes are:

- Lifeworld led value based leadership
- Lifeworld led care
- Public health and wellbeing
- Transcultural care

Members of the academy are invited to submit short abstracts of their paper (200 words) focused on the above areas to help plan the symposium agenda by the 3rd of February 2014. Please email as an attachment to ahemingway@bournemouth.ac.uk.

Please note each presentation will last for fifteen minutes with a further five minutes for questions.