

Introduction

- The Compassionate Pedagogy Learning Circle focuses on holistic, person-centred approaches to staff and student interaction across Warwick, grounded in an ecological systems approach that considers everything from immediate relationships and pedagogical practice to institutional policy.
- Aims to co-create resources supporting compassionate practice, with the longer-term goal of shaping institutional approaches across Warwick.

2025/26 Highlights

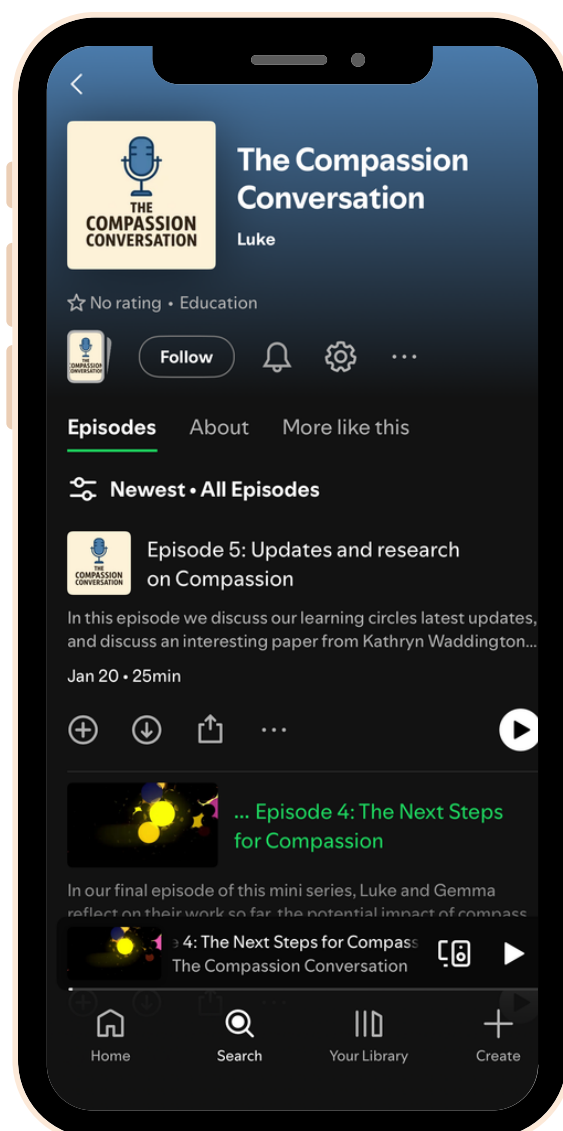
- The Compassion Fatigue Project, conducted across both 2023/24 and 2024/25, explored the frequency of compassion fatigue among academic staff, debating the use of the term itself and contributing to a growing evidence base for compassionate practice in higher education, with findings presented at the Education Conference.
- The Learning Circle facilitated a series of meetings, reflection activities, focus groups, and workshops exploring compassionate approaches across policy and practice, reviewing resources targeted at supporting staff and students and discussing compassion, identity, and what these mean in different contexts across the university.

Looking Ahead

- Plans are underway to publish results from the Compassion Fatigue Project and continue the podcast series with further episodes exploring emerging themes.
- Succession planning is underway.
- The 2026/27 focus will be to explore a space for reading and discussions.

The Compassion Podcast

- The Compassion Podcast series has been a successful and accessible entry point to the Learning Circle's work, with four episodes released covering defining compassion, compassionate conversations, compassion fatigue, and future directions: hosted by Dr Luke Hodson, Dr Gemma Gray, and Josh Davies.



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