

# WHY WOULD YOU ENCOURAGE A PEER TO TAKE PART?

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**MJ:** Hi. Well, my name is Mary Jan Buckley, and I am a programme coordinator in Balbriggan Community College. Balbriggan is a small town north of Dublin, and I suppose why I would encourage other people to involve themselves in Open Science Hub, is because it is an innovative program, and it's experiential and tactile for my students, and it suits our transition year (fourth year) experience. We like our students to have opportunities to learn key skills necessary for life, and specifically for further study.

For example: research, reflection, and also presentation of work. And I found Open Science Hub was very rooted in real life experiences, and it offered opportunities for students to explore issues of concern to them, and it offered them opportunities to learn about the world around them in a very structured and organised way.

