

Alumni Advisory Panel

Consultation on Developing a CSC Identity and Belonging policy and guiding principles

Background

As part of the delivery of the <u>CSC Strategy 2025-2028</u>, the CSC is seeking to develop an Identity and Belonging policy and guiding principles to support future work, foster an inclusive community for Commonwealth Scholars, Fellows and Alumni, and boost visibility of the Commonwealth Scholarships brand.

The Identity and Belonging policy and guiding principles will provide a framework for the ongoing development of the CSC's programmes and activities, it's brand and visual identity, partnerships and collaborations, and the ways in which it engages with Commonwealth Scholars, Fellows and Alumni.

Task

Members of the Alumni Advisory Panel are asked to provide insights and feedback on identity and belonging within the Commonwealth Scholarships and Fellowships community and share comments on the background paper and further insights on this topic. This consultation is part of the initial project development.

Panel members must read the following document to participate in this activity:

- Identity and Belonging- background and scoping paper
- CSC policies and frameworks (as referenced in the above paper)

This document must not be shared with anyone beyond the Alumni Advisory Panel.

Sharing your comments and feedback

All panel members are invited to take part in this activity. The activity will be comprised of an online survey and Focus Group Discussions. Panel members may participate in as many of these feedback opportunities as they would like.

Online feedback survey

In your activity email, you should have received a username and password to the online survey. You do not have to complete the questions at one time but can save your responses and log-in later to complete further questions. You should submit your responses by 23:59 (GMT) on Sunday 18 January 2026.

Your responses will be read and analysed by the CSC.

If for any reason you are not able to complete by this deadline but would like to share your feedback, you must notify the Alumni Team at alumni@cscuk.org.uk

If you would like to share additional feedback not gathered by the survey, you can email this to alumni@cscuk.org.uk

Focus Group Discussions

Focus Group Discussions (FGD) will take place at the following times:

- Thursday 22 January, 07:00-08:00 (GMT)
- Tuesday 27 January, 08:00-09:00 (GMT)
- Wednesday 28 January, 15:00-16:00 (GMT)
- Thursday 29 January, 22:30-23:30 (GMT)

To register for one of more FGD, please complete the <u>registration form</u> no later than **23:59 (GMT)** on **Sunday 18 January 2026**. You will receive details to join your chosen FGD on Monday 19 January.

Questions?

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Alumni Team at alumni@cscuk.org.uk.