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Conference to discuss the challenges of ageing

Up to 400 of the world's leading experts on ageing will visit Northumbria University next year to take part in the British Society of Gerontology's annual conference.

The conference, which is being jointly hosted by Northumbria and Newcastle Universities, will be held at City Campus East in July.

The British Society of Gerontology provides a multidisciplinary forum for those interested in older people and how knowledge about ageing and later

life can be enhanced and improved and the conference will consider the challenges and future prospects relating to ageing in changing times.

Researchers, practitioners, policy makers, educators, students and older people will consider issues relating to health and wellbeing, society and the economy and technologies for ageing, as well as arts and culture, age-friendly communities and methodological approaches to researching later life.

Professor Amanda Clarke, Head of the Department of Healthcare at Northumbria University, said: “This is an exciting opportunity to build capacity in ageing research and, ultimately, to improve wellbeing in later life. We are all ageing and can expect to live well into old age so enhancing our understanding and awareness of the challenges and opportunities later life may bring should be a universal concern.”

The organisers have made a call for abstracts to be received by Friday 16 January 2015. The conference will draw on papers from across the disciplines of social and behavioural sciences.

For more information visit <http://conferences.ncl.ac.uk/bsg2015/>

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