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Graduating into a global pandemic the experiences of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering graduates

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Chair: Diana Laurillard Speaker: Paul Ashwin

The Graduate Experiences of Employability and Knowledge (GEEK) Project is examining the experiences of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering graduates from six universities in England, South Africa and the United States of America. In the 'Understanding Student Knowledge and Agency' project, we initially tracked these graduates through their undergraduate degrees. In the GEEK project, we are now examining how these graduates' engagement with their discipline appears to impact on their worldviews and agency, employability and career, and wider social and cultural embeddedness in society. In this paper, we will report on how these students experienced graduating during a global pandemic and the role their discipline played in helping them to make sense of these experiences.

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