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Martina A Doolan is a Principal Lecturer of Computer Science and a UK National Teaching Fellow receiving the award in 2007 from the minister for Higher Education. Martina graduated from the University of Hertfordshire (UH) in 1996 having studied for a BTEC HND in Computer Studies followed by a BSc in Computer Science. In 1997 Martina joined the university as a member of the academic staff.

As a single parent of two young children Martina has progressed her career from lecturer to Senior Lecturer to a Principal Lecturer in just over five years. At the same time, Martina has successfully completed a UH Postgraduate Certificate, a Postgraduate Diploma, was the first at UH to achieve the award of MA in Teaching and Learning for her work in Technology Mediated Communication and Collaboration and has been awarded a Doctorate for her thesis in this area.

Martina has gained further recognition obtaining a Vice Chancellors award and as one of 12 chosen academics from across the university working in collaboration on a £4.5 million five year project; leading to the development of e-blended learning solutions across the University of Hertfordshire and beyond.

Martina's significant national and International presence has been developed and achieved through funded projects, publications, presentations and collaboration, as chair and member of various national and international committees, steering groups, advisory and editorial boards. Martina is an active member of the BCS Women's group. Martina leads the School of Computer Science Athena Swan Working Group (Self Assessment Team) and is committed to best practice in the working environment for all staff, not just women.

Martina is working towards achieving professor status in her dual professional role as both computer scientist and educationalist. To learn about Martina's research interests see <http://www.madoolan.com/> and <http://vuh-la-risprt.herts.ac.uk>

