

Friday 27th January  
Dr Anna Mcfarlane

Lunchtime Talk Series  
**War and Medicine**  
Last Friday of every month  
Memorial Chapel  
13.00

**‘Becoming Acquainted With All That Pain’: Naomi Mitchison’s VAD  
Nursing in WW1**

Scottish author Naomi Mitchison is well known for her lifetime of writing and her significance as an important member of early-twentieth-century literary circles, but the importance to her career of the time she spent as a Voluntary Aid Detachment (VAD) nurse during World War One has so far been overlooked. This paper, made possible by a Wellcome Trust Small Grant, explores this time of Mitchison’s life and shows that nursing shaped her writing career and her politics.