## Researcher Development: A Briefing for Supervisors

## In Brief - Researcher Development in the Humanities at Manchester

There are three programmes of research training on offer within the Humanities at Manchester, aimed at PGRs and early-career researchers who have an interest in developing their expertise in an interdisciplinary environment. These programmes work in tandem and have been designed to complement any discipline-specific training offered on an individual or small-group basis, and at a local level. This briefing is designed to provide information for supervisors who are engaged in consultation with their research students about appropriate training and development activity.



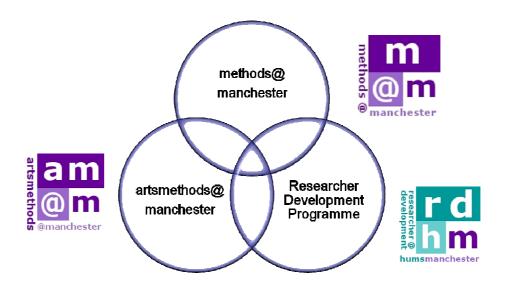
The **methods@manchester** programme offers talks and workshops throughout the year which explore research methods in the Social Science disciplines. Researchers, at all levels, are encouraged to explore new methodologies in an interdisciplinary setting. For more information visit <a href="https://www.methods.manchester.ac.uk">www.methods.manchester.ac.uk</a>



artsmethods@manchester programme works alongside methods@manchester to offer workshops and events exploring research methods, theoretical frameworks and approaches in the Arts, Languages & Cultural disciplines. Again, researchers at all levels are encouraged to explore methods and approaches in an interdisciplinary setting. For more information visit www.artsmethods.manchester.ac.uk



The **Researcher Development** programme works alongside methods@manchester and artsmethods@manchester to offer relevant, effective and comprehensive professional development for researchers at all stages of their career. Workshops explore approaches to the research process and good academic practice. For more information visit www.humanities.manchester.ac.uk/researcherdevelopment



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## The Researcher Development Framework (RDF)

The Vitae Researcher Development Framework (RDF) was produced in 2010 following a series of semi-structured interviews with leading UK academics. The Framework (see the visual representation, left) outlines the knowledge, capabilities and attributes of leading researchers, providing a common language and phases of development from PGR through to early-career academic and beyond. All training and development activity within the Humanities has been mapped on to the RDF for ease of reference, to enable researchers to identify relevant training and development opportunities and to benchmark their progress:



www.humanities.manchester.ac.uk/researcherdevelopment/RDF

For more information on the RDF please visit www.vitae.ac.uk/RDF

## **Handy Guide / Useful Information**

#### Twitter: who to follow

- @HumsResearchers Humanities Researcher Development
- @MethodsMcr methods@manchester updates
- @ArtsMethodsManc artsmethods@manchester updates
- @jrulresearchers University Library Research Training
- @ManPGCareers Postgraduate Careers at Manchester
- @vitaenwhub Updates from the Vitae North West Hub
- @timeshighered Updates from the Times Higher Education
- @postgradtoolbox Resources for PhD Researchers
- @britishlibrary Updates from the British Library
- @thesiswhisperer the Thesis Whisperer

#### **Blogs**

<a href="http://pgrdocblog.wordpress.com">http://pgrdocblog.wordpress.com</a> – a blog for Humanities PGRs at Manchester
 <a href="http://artsmethodsmanchester.wordpress.com">http://artsmethodsmanchester.wordpress.com</a> – the artsmethods blog
 <a href="http://manchesterpgcareers.wordpress.com">http://manchesterpgcareers.wordpress.com</a> – the postgraduate careers blog
 <a href="http://www.thesiswhisperer.com">www.thesiswhisperer.com</a> – the Thesis Whisperer Blog

#### Websites

<u>http://academiccareer.manchester.ac.uk</u> – an academic career website from Manchester Careers Service

<u>www.humanities.manchester.ac.uk/researcherdevelopment</u> - Humanities Researcher Development

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