Faculty of Humanities
Researcher Development Bulletin

December 2011

Inside this bulletin you will find information and events of interest to postgraduate researchers and research staff within the Faculty of Humanities. This bulletin and previous issues can also be downloaded from the bulletins page of the Researcher Development website.

For all regular researcher development updates please follow our Twitter page.

News

Despite regular reminders about professional etiquette, people are still booking on courses then neglecting to turn up.

Please see the note below about our new policy regarding workshop places and see the new information on our website about assessing your professional needs.

Useful links

Researcher Development site
PGR Development Calendar
Research Staff Calendar
PGR Resources
methods@manchester
artsmethods@manchester
eProg
Vitae

Postgraduate Training

Please only attend sessions when you have booked a place*. All training sessions are listed on our PGR Development Calendar – please click on the course you want to attend and book through eProg. If you are unable to attend a workshop on which you have booked, you **MUST** cancel your place through eProg or notify humanities-training@manchester.ac.uk in advance of the session. You can check the status of your bookings, register and cancel workshops through eProg.

Please note that we currently have a waiting list for the majority of our workshops. Those who book on to a workshop but fail to attend are denying others a place. Therefore from January 2012 the Faculty has implemented a new policy - we will be contacting supervisors directly to inform them of those research students who have booked to attend a workshop but fail to turn up and neglect to cancel their place. If you attend a workshop, please ensure to sign the register

> *** Before booking onto a course please make sure that you can abide by our code of professional etiquette.**

December Faculty development sessions with places still available to book (at the time of writing this bulletin):

Writing for Oral Presentation 06/12/11
An Introduction to Social Media/Web 2.0 for Researchers 06/12/11

PowerPoint level 2 – supported workshop 09/12/11
Reflective Practice and Blogging for Researchers 13/12/11
Winning Fellowships session 15/12/11 **This workshop is for researchers in their final year of their PhD**

GTA dates have been added for next semester – book here

For more information or to book on a course please go to the PGR Development Calendar.

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Research Staff

Information about research staff events is sent out in an e-mail bulletin. If you would like to be added to the list of recipients please contact claire.stocks@manchester.ac.uk. Alternatively you can visit the Research Staff blog.

University-Wide Training

methods@manchester - *What is…?*
A regular series of lunch-time talks which provide short, accessible introductory guides to key research methods. These talks are ideal for research students - or their supervisors - who want to find out what the method does and whether it might be useful in their research. They will also be of interest to any member of staff who is curious to find out about a new method. You might also like to have a look at the methods videos for summaries of talks on Social Sciences Research methods.

artsmethods@manchester
artsmethods@manchester is a programme of talks, workshops and events running throughout the year that explore approaches to arts research and the breadth of methodological expertise in arts and languages at the University of Manchester. artsmethods also works closely with cultural partners across Manchester and the North West to enhance the impact and dissemination of arts and languages research. The website contains useful resources both at the University of Manchester and nationwide. Workshops are available to book through eProg.

Training Courses for Research Computing
IT Services for Research offers a range of courses to postgraduates and staff that will improve skills in all aspects of research computing including programming, high end computing and visualization.

John Rylands University Library
The Library offers a range of information skills sessions throughout the year to help you with your research. Courses cover literature searching, citation analysis, reference management, keeping up-to-date and a range of workshops on specialist resources and research information issues.

Don't forget to check out Vitae events in the North-West.

Dates for your Diary

Faculty Seminars
To keep updated about what's going on in the Faculty check out the Humnet Seminars and Events web page. You can also use the online form to submit details of discipline specific seminars which you are organising.

Other Information

There is a new section of our website titled "Assessing your development needs". In this section you can find out more about how to assess your training and development as a researcher including how to make key decisions about what training and development activities to take part in during your time at Manchester. Please also make time to explore the Researcher Development Framework (RDF) Interactive Tool and the new Vitae RDF Resources page.