Faculty of Humanities
Researcher Development Bulletin

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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

Happy New Year and we hope you had a relaxing break and are all ready for a productive 2013.
Researcher Development sessions will start again at the end of January and are now available to book on eProg.

Postgraduate Training

Forthcoming Researcher Development sessions:

Planning Your Research – 29/01/2013 and 05/02/2013
Writing Your Literature Review – 30/01/2013, 06/02/2013 and 12/02/2013
Re-activating Your Writing Skills – 05/02/2013
Academic Writing 1 – 12/02/2013
Preparing for Your Review Panel – 13/02/2013
Leading and Influencing in Research – 13/02/2013

Dates for GTA Training for this semester are also on eProg and available to book now.

For more information or to book on a course please go to the PGR Development Calendar – please click on the course you want to attend and book through eProg. You can check the status of your bookings, register and cancel workshops through eProg. Please see the information on our website about assessing your professional needs.

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

Please **only** attend sessions when you have booked a place. We keep track of numbers to make sure classes are not too full, and attending without registering is also unfair to those who have booked or are on a waiting list.

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. Please give us as much advance **notice** as you can: if the reason preventing you to attend is something that has been scheduled and can be predicted, like a lecture, conference or meeting,

please let us know at least 48 hours in advance, so that your place can be offered to someone else. Sessions are very popular and places are limited, so we often have waiting lists. Booking and not attending, or cancelling at the very last minute, prevents other people to attend and wastes time and resources.

Please also make sure you can arrive to the session on time and that you can attend the whole session: late arrivals and people leaving halfway through the session create disruption.

Other Workshops

The University of Manchester 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.

Forthcoming sessions for Humanities researchers:

Tuesday 29 January	1.30-3	Starting your literature review
Thursday 21 February	1.30-3	Finding information
Thursday 28 February	1.30-3	Reference Management (Endnote)
Wednesday 28 March	1.30-3	Research Dissemination
Thursday 28 March	1.30-3	Keeping research up to date

All sessions will take place at the Teaching Suite on Blue 4 of the Main Library.
Please register via eProg as places are limited.

Publishing Workshops
Navigating the World of Publishing 13/02/13, 2-4pm
Writing for Publication: Emerald Publishing Group 19/03/13, 1-3pm

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 Development Opportunities

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. The talks take place on Thursdays from 1 - 2pm in room 1.69/1.70, Humanities Bridgeford Street. No booking is required, just turn up on the day.

Forthcoming *What is* talks:

24 January - *Confounding* (Dr Rosanne Mcnamee, School of Community Based Medicine)

31 January - *Bayesian Analysis* (Dr Johan Koskinen, CCSR)

7 February - *Power Calculation (*Dr Steve Roberts, Institute of Population Health)

14 February - *Causal Inference* (Dr Richard Emsley, Institute of Population Health) - NB. This talk will take place in Room 5.211, University Place

21 February - *The difference between cost benefit and cost effectiveness analysis* (Prof Katherine Payne, Institute of Population Health)

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.

Postgraduate Online Writing Clinic
The live writing clinic is an online, cross-faculty resource for postgraduate students at the University of Manchester. It is a 'drop in' facility which allows you to ask any questions you might have regarding academic writing - for more information click here.

Training Courses for Research Computing
IT Services is running a series of courses aimed at staff and postgraduates undertaking or interested in computational research. The courses are staged to lead you from understanding basic principles such as accessing high performance computing facilities to programming using parallel languages/extensions. Understanding the masses of data we collect is also covered via a selection of visualization courses.

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.

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