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.

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

News

PRES Survey 05/03/13 – 16/05/13
You can participate in PRES by accessing the survey in My Manchester page:
https://my.manchester.ac.uk/

Apps
The Researcher Development Team are planning on developing a mobile app for PGRs in the Faculty of Humanities. We value your input and would like to hear what kind of features you would like to see in an app. Please send your ideas to us here.

Postgraduate Training

Forthcoming Humanities Researcher Development sessions:
Thesis Submission Briefing – 06/03/13
Presentations, Practice and Feedback – 13/03/13
Creating social and commercial value from your research 15/03/13
Editing and Proofreading Your Thesis – 19/03/13
Viva Survivor – 19/03/13
Keeping your research up-to-date – 28/03/13
GTA Training for this semester are also on eProg and available to book now.
Dates for

Wider faculty development sessions
Social Media Masterclass: Managing Info Overload **–** 12/03/13
Social Media Masterclass: Working Collaboratively – 19/03/13
Social Media Masterclass: Building Reputation – 26/04/13

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.

Publishing Workshops
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 Humanities-training@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.

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.

Opportunities

Social Enterprise Competition – closes 24.05.13

The Social Enterprise Competition is NOW OPEN and we are welcoming entries
•Are you currently working or studying in The University of Manchester or a recent graduate?
•Is your idea likely to benefit the public or community, or be an entrepreneurial solution to a social or environmental problem? If so, then we are keen to hear from you
•The idea does not need to be overtly technology based or a commercial idea. We want to discover as broad a range of entries as possible

The competition is open to all University of Manchester staff, students and recent graduates we are looking forward to hearing your ideas.

Once again there will be funding available of up to £500 for people to try out their ideas. However, there will also be further funding available of up to £5000, allowing individuals to grow an entrepreneurial idea.

Visit the UMI[3] Social Entrepreneurship pages to find out more about the competition, http://www.umi3.co.uk/social_enterprise_competition.htm