

Faculty of Humanities Research Skills Training Bulletin

October 2010

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 Research Skills Training website.

For all regular skills training updates please follow our [Twitter page](#).



I.T. drop-in sessions

There are no I.T. drop-in sessions scheduled for October.

Give us your opinion

Do you find the I.T. drop-in sessions useful or do you think there is a better way for us to assist with your queries?

Please send your feedback to Claire.S.Morris@manchester.ac.uk

Useful links

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Postgraduate Training

New Training Calendar

Due to the introduction of [eProg](#), the University's progression and monitoring system, we now have a new [training calendar](#).

Postgraduate Researcher Development						
PGR Training Calendar 2010-11						
Most of the events noted in this calendar will link to a full course description in eProg. When accessing eProg you will be asked for University username and password (this should only happen once on first login).						
September October November December January February March April May June						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Health education 10.30-12.30 13.30-15.30			Health education 10.30-12.30 13.30-15.30 16.00-18.00 18.00-19.00	IT resources 11.00-12.00 13.30-15.30		
27	28	29	30			

Select a month via the top links to see courses running in that period then click on a course title to see more details or to book on a course.

Clicking on a course title will take you straight into eProg (you will be prompted for your University username and password on first login).

In the content tab, select the date of the training you wish to attend. On booking you will receive an onscreen confirmation telling you that you have reserved a place on the course. All training that you have attended will be recorded in eProg.

*** Before booking onto a course please make sure that you can abide by our code of [professional etiquette](#).**

October Faculty Training Sessions with places still available to book (at the time of writing this bulletin):

Communication, Impact and Influence

[Introduction to Presentation Skills](#) - Monday 11th October, 13.30-15.30

[Improve your Presentation Skills](#) – Wednesday 20th October, 10.30-12.30

[Practice, Presentations and Feedback 1](#) – Tuesday 12th October, 13.30-15.30

[Practice, Presentations and Feedback 2](#) – Tuesday 5th October, 13.30-15.30

[Networking](#) – Tuesday 19th October, 13.30-15.30

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- [Academic Writing 1](#) – Tuesday 19th October, 10.00-12.00
[Creativity and Problem Solving](#) – Monday 25th October, 13.30-15.30
[Speed Reading](#) – Tuesday 12th October, 13.30-15.30
[Reactivating your Writing Skills](#) – Tuesday 19th October, 14.00-16.00

Personal Effectiveness

- [Time Management](#) - Wednesday 6th October, 10.30-12.30

Research Organisation and Governance

- [Planning your PhD](#) - Tuesday 5th October, 13.30-15.30
[Keeping your PhD on Track](#) - Tuesday 26th October, 13.30-15.30

I.T. Training

- [Word Level 1](#) - Friday 8th October, 09.30-12.30
Thursday 14th October, 09.30-12.30
Friday 22nd October, 09.30-12.30
Thursday 28th October, 09.30-12.30

Dates for your Diary

Upcoming training sessions in November are as follows:

An Introduction to Social Media / Web 2.0 for Researchers
Academic Writing 2, 3 and 4
Academic Writing Workshop
Completing your Literature Review
Editing and Proofreading your Thesis
Endnote and Endnote for Humanities
Engaging Others with Your Research
Expressing your Research Visually
Managing your Professional Development
Mind Maps, Concept Maps and other Graphical Organisers
Planning your Final Year
PowerPoint Level 1
Practice, Presentations and Feedback 1 and 2
Thesis Submission Briefing
Word Level 2

For more information or to book on a course please go to the [training calendar](#).

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 at: www.researchstafftraining.wordpress.com

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Postgraduate Online Writing Clinic - Need help with your writing? 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. Email howard.goodison@manchester.ac.uk for further information.

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.

Entrepreneurship Workshop with Tommy Darwin - Thursday 30th September 2010, 2-4pm, 3.97 MBS West - all welcome. Tommy Darwin, Ph. D., is the Director of Professional Development and Community Engagement in the Office of Graduate Studies at the University of Texas at Austin. To book, please send an email to Claire.gill@manchester.ac.uk with your name and school. If anyone is already working on a business or social enterprise, please send a very brief description of the business when you book.

Endnote Training is now delivered by the John Rylands University Library. For an overview of all their resources for researchers and to book into relevant workshops have a look at [Information for Researchers](#) on their website.

Other Information**Researcher Development website**

Our website is the easiest way to keep up to date with researcher information and events happening in the faculty and university. From the website you can access the [PGR Doc Blog](#), [Research Staff Blog](#) and our [Twitter page](#). These are excellent, regularly updated resources that draw together and deliver relevant information on funding, job and development opportunities. Please save the web address to your favourites: <http://www.humanities.manchester.ac.uk/researcherdevelopment/>

The PhD Experience

This is a new resource for students beginning or considering a PHD. The PHD Experience provides you with real student experiences, information and resources that link to help and support that is available across the University.

Resources for Postgraduate Researchers is a one-stop-shop for all materials relevant to PhDs and Postgraduate Researchers (PGRs) in the Faculty of Humanities. The site gives you your own dedicated area which contains crucial training materials and links to university and external information relevant to research students.