

Coventry University Doctoral College & Centre for Research Capability and Development

## PGR Newsletter Thursday 9th September 2021

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## New This Week

### 1. Talking Taboos, Friday 10 September 10:00am



**Online format.** Are you a PhD student or early career researcher conducting language-based research into sensitive subjects and/or taboo topics?

If so, you might be interested in attending their online AHRC M4C-funded Dialogue Day, 'Talking Taboos'. For further info visit <http://talkingtaboos.coventry.domains>

Register [HERE](#)

### 2. PGR Wellbeing

**Pop-up Vaccination Clinic:** from Sunday 5 September, a clinic will be operating at our Coventry campus, offering first or second doses of the Pfizer vaccine to staff and students who are yet to receive them. **More information can be found [HERE](#)**

**World Suicide Prevention Day:** Fri 10 Sept and Coventry University's 'Connections Matter' site have a resource for **[Suicide Awareness & Support](#)**



### 3. Get Creative @ Elm Bank, Tuesday 28 September 13:00pm

Being creative is not solely reserved for the artistic geniuses among us. We all have a creative side that can be nurtured and it is this creative flare that will generate new ideas, problem solve and seek out new opportunities. In these face-to-face sessions we will embrace creativity and enjoy the benefits it will have on our well-being and productivity.



### This month....

Join us for a creative writing session aimed at researchers to flex those creative muscles and build positive writing habits

[Learn more and sign-up HERE](#)

## 4. Library Research Support Drop-in, Wednesday 6 October 14:00pm

**Online format.** This is an opportunity for researchers to put to our teams any relevant questions which they have.

Some indicative areas which we can help answer questions on are: use of the Pure system, University and Funder Open Access requirements, Research Data Management best practice and developing RDM Plans, making appropriate use of Metrics and academic literature searching.



[Learn more & sign-up HERE](#)

## 5. Tiles of Hope



### Tiles of Hope

Submit your photos by visiting  
[www.eventsforce.net/tilesofhope](http://www.eventsforce.net/tilesofhope)  
The deadline for submission is **30 November**.



**Tiles of Hope** is a community art installation that will be made up of more than 1,000 tiles. Each tile will feature a different image submitted by you! The photos will be combined to make up a large tiled mural, forever documenting hope within the city.

[Find out more HERE](#)

## Upcoming Workshops & Events

Join us at an upcoming research event taking place over the coming months

Learn more & sign-up to the upcoming events [HERE](#)

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### HEEDs 3-part webinar series: 'People, Policy and Innovation'

**Humanitarian Innovation:  
"Move fast and break  
things...?"**

**9 September, 10:30am**



**Future-proofing  
Humanitarianism:  
Actioning policy and  
strengthening governance**

**23 September, 10:30am**

**Register for sessions 2 & 3 [HERE](#)**

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### Transdisciplinary Research Event: Building Excellence in Research Communities, 29 September, 13.00pm



The session seeks to spotlight the benefits offered by Transdisciplinary Research (TDR). This event will also look into how TDR can enhance research capabilities & outputs, alongside support in the development of thriving research networks.

**Register [HERE](#)**

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All of our events and workshops are advertised on the [RECAP calendar](#).

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### **PGR Productivity Days with RECAP (September)**

**Online Format** In response to the success of the productivity days throughout January - August, we have now released the September dates!

Based on productivity techniques used within the Thesis Boot Camp Online programme, PGRs are invited to join us in a daily online forum, structured around 3 half-hour sessions in the morning, afternoon and early evening. The rest of the day is structured by you!



**Join us for as many as you like!**

**Sign-up [HERE](#)**



### **Preparing for Thesis Submission**

**16 Sept, 14:00pm**

**Online Format.**

This Q&A session is aimed at PGRs preparing for thesis submission, but any PGR in any phase can attend. Please watch the '[Preparing for Thesis Submission](#)' video series before attending.

**Sign-up [HERE](#)**

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### **Dr Who? Let's talk about...Staying on Course**

**27 Sept 12:00pm**

**Online Format.**

Dr Who? discussion meetings offer you the opportunity to meet with others in a similar situation to help, support, understand and encourage each other.

**Sign-up [HERE](#)**

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### **Preparing for your Viva**

**30 Sept 14:00pm**

**Online Format.**

Step-by-step guide of what to expect on the day.

Visit [RECAP Moodle](#) to find additional resources to support you

**Sign-up [HERE](#)**

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## Become a PGR Mentor at the DC&C



### Online Format

We're looking for PGRs to become peer mentors (a.k.a tutors) on the Vygo platform.

Support fellow PGRs, develop your skills & add to researcher development hours

To get involved and start your training, [sign-up HERE](#)

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## COMPETITION: Tweet your Thesis, 24 September



### Twitter.

Engage us with your research via a maximum of 3 tweets, follow [@CU ReCap](#) and use [#CovUniThesis](#)

Click [HERE](#) to be kept up to date with the latest information.

[Learn more about Tweet your Thesis HERE](#)

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## Thesis Boot Camp, 8 – 10 November: Applications Now Open

**Thesis Boot Camp @ Elm Bank** is an intensive and supportive writing programme for late-stage doctoral researchers. This three-day online programme is highly structured enabling you to make significant progress on the first draft of your thesis.

TBC ultimately provides you with the time, environment and inspiration to produce a large number of words. During TBC you will get the opportunity to engage with short tutorials, 1:1 consultations and group discussions. Attendees are required to complete preparatory tasks to get the most out of the event.

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**Applications Deadline:  
Monday 27 Sept 9:00am**

[Learn more HERE](#)

[Sign-up HERE](#)

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**Welcome Back Events for ALL PGRs**



**Venue: Elm Bank, Coventry.**

Some of you may be returning to campus and, for others, this may be the first time you may have been able to come to Coventry University.

RECAP are hosting two events where we can welcome you back to the university!

**Tuesday 28 September, 10:00 - 13:00pm**  
**Sign-up [HERE](#)**

**Wednesday 6 October, 13:00 - 16:00pm**  
**Sign-up [HERE](#)**

**Autumn Dates: RECAP Research Methods Programme**



This Workshop Series offers workshops on generic research methods topics applicable to different disciplines.

The topics and content covered in this programme are introductory and the expectation is that PGRs and Staff will gain basic knowledge and skills which can establish the basis for application and more advanced learning.

Click on individual topics below for details, dates & sign-up.

**[Data Collection Skills: Observation](#)**

22 Sept 2021 @ 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

**[Case Study Research Design](#)**

20 Oct 2021 @ 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

**[Survey Research](#)**

27 Oct 2021 @ 10:00 am to 12:00 pm

**Staff:PGR Network**

The Doctoral College & Centre for Research Capability and Development would like to invite all **Staff** who are also PGRs to join a network dedicated to supporting you.

This network will provide an opportunity for you to meet and network with colleagues who are in a similar position to yourself and provide a platform for you to support each other.



If this is something you would be interested in, please get in touch with [RECAP@coventry.ac.uk](mailto:RECAP@coventry.ac.uk) so you can be added to the network!

## Other PGR Support

### PGR WhatsApp Group



Virtual support from the PGR Community at Coventry University

Looking for a way to reach out to your fellow PGRs? [More details and sign-up HERE](#)

*The virtual PGR forum has been created by members of the Coventry University PGR Community. Opinions and views expressed in the group do not necessarily reflect the policy or position of Coventry University.*

### Specialist Career Consultation for PGRs

**Coventry University's Talent Team** in conjunction with RECAP offers specialist consultation for PhD students and Postgraduate Researchers.

Whether your desired career is in academia or elsewhere in industry, or if you are simply looking for support with a CV or application, we are committed to the provision of bespoke careers guidance, advice and information to enhance your career decision making and aid employment transition.

**To arrange a virtual/telephone appointment, contact Mark Adams directly: [ab4397@coventry.ac.uk](mailto:ab4397@coventry.ac.uk)**

## Do you have any Upcoming Events you want to tell the PGR Community about?

If so, we would love to hear from you! Please send us details of events you would like us to share to [recap@coventry.ac.uk](mailto:recap@coventry.ac.uk)

*Further development opportunities and events can also be found on the [RECAP website](#).*



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