## Doctoral College

## Centre for Research Capability and Development

Coventry University Doctoral College & Centre for Research Capability and Development

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#### **New & Featured This Week**

## 1. Online Q&A: 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.



If you miss the sign-up deadline at 10am on September 15th but still wish to join please email <a href="mailto:recap@coventry.ac.uk">recap@coventry.ac.uk</a>

#### Sign-up HERE

## 2. Call for Contributions: Black History Month 2021 'Proud to be...'

The 1st October marks the beginning of Black History Month celebrations, with the focus for 2021 being 'Proud To Be'.

Black History Month 2021:

'Proud to be...'

The Coventry University Marketing and External Affairs team are planning to celebrate Black History Month with a campaign that will feature across the university website, news and social media channels, spotlighting your contributions.

If you would like to share any content with the R&I team, please complete the short proforma, which can be found HERE, with a brief overview of content and send to ri.mea@coventry.ac.uk by Friday 17 September.

## 3. Thesis Boot Camp, 8 - 10 November

# Applications Now Open to PGRs at any stage in their PhD

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.



Applications Deadline: Monday 27 Sept 9:00am

**Learn more HERE** 

Sign-up HERE

## 4. THEMED WEEK: Becoming a Professional Researcher (November)



**Social Media to Metric** 

#### **Online Format**

This themed week is designed to support you in your development as a professional researcher.

Sessions available in this themed week include Research Data Management, Open Access, Introduction to Research Methods and many more.

12 Nov 2021 @ 14:00 pm to 16:00 pm

| Career Planning & Development       | 1 Nov 2021@10:00 am to 11:30 pm   |
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| Intro to Research Data Management   | 2 Nov 2021 @ 11:00 am to 12:30 pm |
| Navigating copyright in your thesis | 2 Nov 2021 @ 14:00 pm to 15:30 pm |
| Getting Started with Research       | 3 Nov 2021 @ 10:00 am to 12:30 pm |
| With Open Access in Mind            | 3 Nov 2021 @ 14:00 pm to 15:30 pm |
| Creating Data Management Plans      | 4 Nov 2021 @ 11:00 am to 12:30 pm |
| Library Support for Research Skills | 4 Nov 2021 @ 14:00 pm to 15:00 pm |
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## **Upcoming Research Events**

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

Learn more & sign-up to the upcoming events **HERE** 

HEED Seminar: Future-proofing Humanitarianism, 23 September, 10:30am



#### **Online Format**

This webinar seeks to explore, provoke and engage experts, practitioners and humanitarian energy scholars to fully comprehend what we are doing wrong in terms of designing & implementing energy policies within the humanitarian sector.

**Register for Session 3 HERE** 

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



#### **Online Format**

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** 

## **Upcoming Workshops & Events**

All of our events and workshops are advertised on the **RECAP calendar**.

## **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 <u>HERE</u>



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

27 Sept 12:00pm

**Online Format.** 

Meet with others in a similar situation to help, support, understand and encourage each other.

Sign-up HERE



Get Creative @ Elm Bank

28 Sept 13:00pm

Face-to-Face Session.

We all have a creative side that can be nurtured! This creative flare will help generate new ideas, problem-solve and seek out new opportunities.

Sign-up HERE



Preparing for your Viva

30 Sept 14:00pm

**Online Format.** 

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

Visit <u>RECAP Moodle</u> to find additional resources to support you

Sign-up HERE

#### 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

## COMPETITION: Tweet your Thesis, 24 September



#### Twitter.

Engage us with your research via a maximum of 3 tweets, follow <a href="mailto:@CU ReCap">@CU ReCap</a> and use #CovUniThesis

Click **HERE** to be kept up to date with the latest information.

Learn more about Tweet your Thesis HERE

#### **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 <u>HERE</u> Wednesday 6 October, 13:00 - 16:00pm Sign-up <u>HERE</u>

## September Research Café



Online format. If you would like to present please provide a title and short abstract for your presentation topic (we welcome 'work in progress' material from PGRs)

Audience member will need to sign up using the same form so that the joining instructions can be sent to you closer to the time.

Sign-up HERE

## 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



**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** 



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

## Researcher Wellbeing & Other PGR Support

#### **Pop-up Vaccination Clinic**



From Sunday 5 September, a clinic will be operating at our Coventry campus.

This facility will offer first or second doses of the Pfizer vaccine to staff and students who are yet to receive them.

### More information can be found **HERE**

Dates, times and locations of other Pop-up COVID-19 vaccination centres, convenient to our campus locations, can be found

#### Staff:PGR Network



If you are a **Staff member** who is also a PGRs then there is a network dedicated to supporting you.

This network will provide an opportunity for you to meet, network & support colleagues in a similar position to yourself.

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

**HERE** 

#### **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

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

Further development opportunities and events can also be found on the RECAP website.

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