

Coventry University Doctoral College & Centre for Research Capability and Development

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New & Featured This Week

1. Applications Now Open: Three Minute Thesis 2021 Competition

The Doctoral College and Centre for Research Capability and Development are delighted to announce that we will once again be holding a three minute thesis competition. We invite you to apply to participate.



What is 3MT?

An 80,000 word PhD thesis would take 9 hours to present. Your time limit... 3 minutes.

Held both nationally and internationally between universities, during the 3MT competition PGRs talk about their research for 3 minutes only. One winner will be selected by a panel of judges from Coventry University and will be entered into the 2022 national competition hosted by Vitae.

Why should I participate?

- Develop your skills communicating effectively to a non-specialist audience
- Showcase your research & its potential impact to the Coventry University research community
- Have the chance to win some fantastic prizes!
- ...don't forget that taking part will contribute to your PGR development hours

2. Postgraduate Researcher Gratitude Wall 2021

Sharing the achievements of the Coventry University PGR community from 2021 and recognising the hard work of the support teams around them. Thank you to all of the PGRs who got involved and shared what they were grateful for in 2021 and what they are looking forward to in the year to come.

[Read more HERE](#)



3. Get Involved: Research Images Competition 2022

There is a prize up for grabs! The winner receives £100, the runner up & People's Choice winner receive £50 each



This is an opportunity for you to present your research in a creative way at the Hootenanny.

Submit a single image representing your research and a brief description of its (potential) impact (100 words max)

[Submit HERE](#)

Deadline: Friday 21st January 10am

4. Qualitative Analysis & NVivo Workshops

Online Format

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

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



**Introduction to Qualitative Data
Analysis, Thursday 20 Jan @
10am**

**Introduction to NVivo for
Qualitative Data Analysis,
Weds 26 Jan @ 10am**

5. Outstanding Research Supervision Team Award 2022

**Do you feel that your supervisors have
excelled in the support they give you?**

**Want to show how much you
appreciate them? Then read on...**



The Doctoral College and Centre for Research Capability is delighted to open nominations for the fourth Outstanding Research Supervision Team Award to recognise innovative and exceptional practice in supervisory teams.

Postgraduate Researchers (PGRs) are encouraged to nominate a supervisory team for this award where they consider that their team has gone above and beyond the standard of excellence in supervision expected of Coventry University supervisors.

[Click HERE](#) for information on how to nominate them

Nomination Deadline is the 28th January

6. Open Access Mystery Role Playing Game, 4 Feb, 12pm



The Open Access Mystery sees each participant take on the role of one of eight characters who meet at a Conference – with each character having their own eccentricities, foibles and secrets...through several rounds, the game is designed to introduce participants to a range of topical issues in the research environment.

[Sign-up HERE](#)

7. PGR Lifecycle Contact Details

The PGR lifecycle team are here to support you throughout your journey as a Postgraduate Researcher at Coventry University.

Your PGR lifecycle begins after your first enrolment and induction and we follow you through your annual Progress Review Panel (PRP) meetings, re-enrolment, Thesis Submission, Viva Voce examination and finally your award.

We are also here to support you if you need to take a break from your studies or have any other issues relating to your programme.

A list of staff and contact phone numbers are available on the Doctoral College Portal Pages and you can email us on pgrlifecycle@coventry.ac.uk



If you need to contact us, our office hours are 10:00 to 12:00am and 2:00 to 4:00pm Monday to Friday.

You are welcome to visit us at the Doctoral College and will find us on the 1st floor of the Elm Bank building.

[Elm Bank - Google Maps](#)

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](#)



Registration now open!: Monday 31st January – Friday 4th February 2022

The Coventry University Research Hootenanny is a vibrant mix of activities to showcase research excellence at Cov Uni. There will be on-campus and virtual Hootenanny events and activities to get involved with

[Full information and registration can be found here](#)

Call for Abstracts: Research Methodology Conference (RMC-2022)



[The London Institute](#) invites you to submit an abstract to the **Research Methodology Conference (RMC-2022)** that will be held in partnership with Coventry University's Centre for Global Learning (GLEA) on **20th April, 2022**.

[Submit Abstracts HERE \(500 words maximum\)](#)

Submission Deadline: Sunday 27 February



The timer has started...over to you...three minutes is all you have, and we can't wait to hear what you have to say!

The Three Minute Thesis (3MT) Competition was originally developed by the University of Queensland, Australia, as a challenge to their doctoral candidates to concisely, coherently and compellingly communicate their research in just three minutes.

It has taken the world by storm with local and national competitions taking place in many countries. Now it is our turn to challenge you - the Coventry University 3MT competition is open to all postgraduate researchers.

Save the dates:

Support workshops & Training Sessions: February – April 2022

Heats & Final: April 2022 @ DCAD Conference

Full training and support will be given if you choose to enter. The winner of the CU Three Minute Thesis (3MT) Grand Final is entered in to the UK 3MT semi-final hosted by Vitae.

[Click here for further information](#)

Doctoral Capability And Development (DCAD) PGR Conference

Save the date: Tues 26th & Weds 27th April 2022

All PGRs & staff are invited to join the **Doctoral Capability and Development Conference** and learn about the exciting research taking place

There will be a range of interesting keynote talks and events focusing on these themes for both postgraduate researchers and supervisors, all welcome!

The conference offers research students an opportunity to present their research to a varied audience in a range of formats: posters, 20/20 (20 seconds, 20 slides) and presentations.



Venue:

TechnoCentre, Coventry University
Technology Park, Puma Way, Coventry,
CV1 2TT

[Click here to find out more about DCAD 2022](#)

Upcoming Workshops & Events

Productivity Days (January)



Various dates throughout January. It would be great to have you join us!

[Click HERE to see the available dates and to sign up](#)

Online Format

While we do hope that you are able to take time away from your research over the festive period we do appreciate that not everyone works the same.

The Productivity Day is a chance to check-in to set goals for the day and then meet again at lunch and the end of the day to see how things have progressed.

It is very informal and a chance to keep one another motivated in your research journey.

IP for research Live Lectures 2022

Online Format

Following on from the success of the virtual Live Lectures in the previous IP for Research programmes, Vitae and the Intellectual property Office (IPO) will again be offering free online live lectures within the 2021/22 programme.



Intellectual Property Office is an operating name of the Patent Office

Information can be found at their website here

Preparing for Viva: Online Q&A, 7 February, 2pm



Click [HERE](#) to sign-up

Online Format

A step-by-step guide of what to expect on the day including: What do examiners look for? What types of questions do they ask in the viva? An overview of the outcomes & next steps.

We have a number of online courses and resources for [preparing for progress review and viva](#) in CU Moodle>RECAP

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PGR Development Programme, 2021/22



Designed to support you at all stages of your research degree. The programme is organised into five strands:

Academic Writing
Career Planning & Development
Communicating your Research
Transitions
Peer-support & Well-being

Please browse the PGR Development Programme and add any dates of interest to your diary. Some sessions are available to RSVP to now. The PGR Development Programme calendar has a mixture of online and in-person events, so please check the event information carefully.

[Click here to browse your PGR Development Programme 2021/22](#)

PGR Wellbeing Support



[Click the image for more info](#)

Mental Health & Well-Being Support Zone

Bookable support service for PGRs.
Appointments available:

- Tues & Weds (face-to-face or remote)
- Thur (remote)
- Thur evening (remote)

Connections Matter: Health and Wellbeing Support

Resources, activities & support information to help you stay connected, support your studies, & to stay healthy; both mentally & physically.



[Click the image for more info](#)

PGR WhatsApp Group



PGR Community Facebook Group



PGR Mentoring Programme



Click the image to be linked to the appropriate group

Opinions and views expressed in the virtual PGR forums created by members of the Coventry University PGR Community do not necessarily reflect the policy or position of Coventry University

Pop-up Vaccination Clinic



Click the image for more info

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.

Dates, times and locations of other COVID-19 vaccination centres, convenient to our campus locations, can be found [HERE](#)

Other PGR Support & Resources

The Students' Union Advice Centre (SUAC)

A free, independent and confidential service for all students. We give advice and support, and provide representation when necessary, on a wide range of problems including housing, consumer law, cheating and plagiarism, internal disciplinary and complaints. If we cannot provide the help you need we will refer you to an agency that specialises in your inquiry.



Contact SUAC HERE



Details available [HERE](#)

Wellbeing Community Project (partnership with NHS Charities Together & UHCW Charity)

CUSU are offering students the opportunity to create their own fully-funded wellbeing and peer support projects.

Any Coventry University or Warwick University student living in the Coventry and Warwickshire area can apply. Applications are welcome throughout the year but will be assessed and workshopped through one of the four application rounds

Specialist Career Consultation for PGRs

Coventry University's Talent Team in conjunction with RECAP offers specialist consultation for PGRs

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.



**For virtual/telephone appointments,
contact Mark Adams directly:**
ab4397@coventry.ac.uk



[More info HERE](#)

The Centre for Academic Writing (CAW) is an innovative teaching and research centre whose mission is to enable students at Coventry University to become independent writers, and to equip academic staff in all disciplines to achieve their full potential as authors and teachers of scholarly writing. They offer:

- One to One Support
- Drop-in Sessions
- Writing Workshops
- Plus much more!



If you are having problems booking online contact please email: sigma_staff@coventry.ac.uk

Places are limited and a waiting list will operate if oversubscribed.

The Doctoral College & Centre for Research Capability and Development would like to celebrate your hard work and invite you to share your recent publications with us.

If you have a book, paper, article or anything else that you would like to share, we want to know about it. Submissions will be shared on the RECAP website.

[Submit your link or DOI here](#)

Do you have a recent publication you would like to share?



PGR Annual Research Allowance



Details & contacts can be
found [HERE](#)

PGRs are entitled to receive a minimum of
£250 per year (FT) or £150 per year (PT) to
use for equipment and materials

Subscribe to stay up to date with opportunities
for researchers and experts to engage with the
UK Parliament.

[UK Parliament's Weekly Round-up \(for
researchers\)](#)

[Sign-up HERE](#)



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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