





# RESEARCHER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

The Graduate and Researcher College's Researcher Development Programme (RDP) is designed to equip postgraduate researchers with a range of transferrable skills, to improve their effectiveness when conducting research and increase their employability for a variety of careers.

RDP workshops are run by academics, professional service staff and external consultants, and complement research skills training delivered by academic schools.

## **Workshops in Canterbury**

Where events are held in person at Canterbury, postgraduate and postdoctoral researchers at Medway can book onto these workshops and use the **free shuttle bus** which runs between the two campuses. Information on shuttle bus times and booking can be found at: www.kent.ac.uk/campus-shuttle

#### Workshop bookings:

For workshop descriptions and dates of future workshops, please use our online booking system at: https://grctraining.targetconnect.

### Support and opportunities at Kent

#### **RDP Moodle module**

All postgraduate researchers are automatically enrolled onto the Graduate and Researcher College's RDP Moodle module. This includes links to resources, training and guides for all of the domains of the Researcher Development Framework.

https://moodle.kent.ac.uk

#### IT Training Moodle module

This module covers topics on Microsoft packages (Excel, Word, PowerPoint, Edge, OneNote and outlook) and Teams training.

https://moodle.kent.ac.uk/training/course/view.php?id=670

#### IS Research support team

The research support team can help with queries related to data management and planning, copyright, Open Access, Open Data, publishing and the Kent Academic Repository.

www.kent.ac.uk/library-it/ supporting-your-research

#### Help with Maths and Stats

The Student Learning Advisory Service (SLAS) offers Maths and Stats clinics if you need support from understanding the basics to more advanced principles.

www.kent.ac.uk/learning/ academic-advice/maths.html

#### **UEA Online Training Series**

The GRC subscribes to the 'University of East Anglia (UEA) Online Training Series', which offers research and professional skills training in a 'live-taught' online format. Topics covered include academic writing, teaching, qualitative and quantitative research skills and finishing your PhD.

https://bookwhen.com/ ueaonlinetraining

#### Three-Minute Thesis (3MT®)

The Graduate and Researcher College organises Kent's Three Minute Thesis competition, which was developed by the University of Queensland.

Participating in the competition is a unique opportunity to develop your academic, presentation and research communication skills, and ability to explain your research to a non-specialist audience.

https://blogs.kent.ac.uk/graduates choolnews/kent-competition

#### Special requirements

Should you require any assistance to engage with the workshop please contact skills@kent.ac.uk and we will do our best to accommodate.

#### Mapping to Vitae's Researcher Development Framework

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#### Carla O'Mara

#### Postgraduate Development Officer

Carla is responsible for co-ordinating and enhancing the operation of the Researcher Development Programme and the on-line booking system.

#### **Dr Jo Collins**

#### Postgraduate Researcher Developer

Jo leads on the development of new postgraduate training initiatives for the Graduate and Researcher College and delivers workshops as part of the programme.

Enquiries about the programme should be directed to skills@kent.ac.uk in the first instance.

