
The Leeds Doctoral College Newsletter is emailed to all postgraduate researchers (PGRs) and members of the Doctoral College, and is published as an announcement on the Leeds Doctoral College Organisation on [Minerva](#). Past editions can also be found on the [University website](#). Click on the web-links provided to find out more about the events and news that interests you.

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DOCTORAL COLLEGE NEWS

Leeds Doctoral College incorporates all eight Faculty Graduate Schools and the central Doctoral College Operations team. We also have a base on Level 12 of the Marjorie and Arnold Ziff building, where you can find the Doctoral College Seminar Room (12.21) – which holds up to 15 people and is available for booking – and the Doctoral College Reception (12.22a), which leads to the Dean of the Doctoral College's office (12.22b).

The opening times of the Reception are updated weekly. Please check our [Minerva page](#), [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#) for more information. You can also reach us [via email](#) with any queries relating to your time at Leeds.

****Open Call! Win £500 for communicating your research****



Leeds Doctoral College Showcase Spring 2019: Postgraduate Researcher Poster Conference

Tuesday 14 May, 9am -1pm, Parkinson Court.

Deadline 23:59 14 April.

The Leeds Doctoral College Showcase is a celebration of the significant contribution postgraduate researchers make to the research profile of the University of Leeds. Postgraduate research students from all disciplines are invited to submit an abstract for a research poster competition. Three cash prizes of £500, £200, and £50 will be awarded for the best posters. **For information on how to apply and on what training is available**, visit our [Minerva page](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Postgraduate Survey. Call for PGRs! Have you completed the [Postgraduate Research Experience Survey 2019](#)? It's confidential and your feedback will really make a difference. Make sure you have your say - and you could also win one of five £50 cash prizes!

New Phytologist Next Generation Scientists 2019 (University College Dublin, Ireland, 22-25 July). Is your research in the field of plant sciences and/or environmental science? This event provides an opportunity for plant scientists to present research and network with their peers in a supportive and inspiring environment. There will also be a series of

plenary lectures from leading plant scientists and workshops. For more information and to register, [visit the Next Generation event webpage](#). Application deadline: 29 April 2019.

Faculty of Medicine & Health PGR Conference 2019, Monday 17 June (Worsley Building, Level 7). This is a star event that provides an important opportunity for PGRs to showcase their research and to engage with researchers across the entire Faculty. Two competitions will take place, with prizes to be won: Poster presentations (displayed in a digital format as e-posters, open to all PGRs) and Oral presentations (open to final year PGRs only) Registration is open until 19 April. For any queries or to register please [contact the Faculty Graduate School](#).

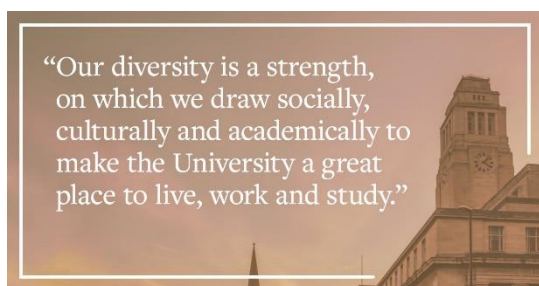
Research Nights. Our next Research Nights event will be on **Tuesday 14 May** from 6pm-8pm in Pyramid Canteen, LUU. Check out our [Facebook page](#) and [Minerva announcements](#) for updates. Drinks will be available, and the event also features a Pub Quiz!

PGR Peer-Mentoring Scheme. Are you a new PGR in the **School of Languages, Cultures and Societies** or in the **School of Fine Art, History of Art and Cultural Studies** looking for friendly support to help you settle in? Or are you a more experienced PGR who would be willing to offer friendly support to a newcomer? Sign up for the PGR Peer Mentoring Scheme! To find out more, or register as a mentee or mentor, please contact us at doctoralcollege@leeds.ac.uk.

Receiving and Responding to a Disclosures of Sexual Violence, Harassment and Abuse – First Responder training for PGRs, **Thursday 18 July**. Are you in a teaching role? This training aims to ensure you feel confident in how to receive and respond to student disclosures of sexual harassment and assault. [Book your place on the OD&PL website](#).

Cumberland Lodge Scholarships (deadline 29 March). These 2-year scholarships provide a unique opportunity to develop communications, public engagement and interdisciplinary skills. For full details and to apply online, please see the [Cumberland Lodge Scholarships webpage](#).

WELLBEING AND COMMUNITY



Brexit Information. We know there is continuing uncertainty about Brexit. We will continue to track what is happening and will provide updates to help you understand any possible impact. We continue to work to ensure members of our University community who are affected by Brexit are properly supported. Find our latest information and advice on our [Brexit page](#), and [read the joint message from the Vice-Chancellor and LUU](#).

Feeling at home in Leeds workshop, Thursday 4 April. Come along to the next Feeling at home in Leeds one-off workshops for international students and PGRs. It is a great occasion to meet others, share your experiences of culture change, and build on your intercultural skills through discussion and activities. For more information and to sign up, visit the [Feeling at Home in Leeds webpage](#).

Change is in the air. The University has set out [a vision to make our campus smoke free](#). From 1 August, everyone will be asked not to smoke on campus between 8am and 6pm. Complete [this short survey](#) to have your say.

RESEARCH SKILLS AND CAREERS

Researchers in Schools. Have you recently completed your PhD? The Researchers in Schools programme is the world's only route into teaching tailored exclusively to PhD researchers. As a subject leader within your school, you will support pupils, regardless of their background, to excel and progress to higher education. [Find out more and apply](#) before **Monday 1 April!**

White Rose Internship (deadline: 8 April). Are you a final year PhD? White Rose Brussels is offering three exclusive 9-month paid internships in Brussels and the UK. Read more on the [White Rose webpage](#).

Library and OD&PL Courses. Sign up to one of the Library's [workshops or webinars](#) if you need help with literature searching, open access, research data management, using EndNote, or increasing the visibility of your research. If you are looking for help with academic skills, writing your PhD thesis, research ethics, data protection, career development, getting funding and getting published, then [take a look at the OD&PL courses for research staff and students](#).

Individual Writing Consultations, 1-3pm, Tuesdays. Available to book through the [training catalogue](#): 30 minute consultations to develop your doctoral writing (NB not proofreading). Focus is on helping you to help yourself resolve a specific writing issue.



SPOTLIGHT ON... EASTER ACTIVITIES

There is a range of events for all students and researchers staying in Leeds over the holidays (**30 March – 28 April**), including volunteering opportunities, cooking workshops, a trip to a rugby match, countryside walks and much more! Whilst you can just turn up to some events, others will require booking in advance.

For the **full schedule** of activities and information on how to sign up to them, please visit the [Global Community webpages](#).

HELP WANTED

Are you doing a Master by Research? Do you work in Sustainability/Environmental/Business/Accountancy (or other relevant disciplines)? The Sustainability team is looking for a group of students to review the 2017-18 [Annual Sustainability Report](#) and to provide a verification statement to be included within the published 2017/18 report. You will be cited within the report at the end of the verification statement. If you are interested in applying, please visit the [Sustainability webpage](#) for more information! The application deadline is 5pm on Wednesday 3rd April.

Cancer Research UK Event Volunteers. Cancer Research UK are looking for volunteers to help at Race for Life 5k, 10k or Pretty Muddy events, with several different volunteer roles to choose from. This is a **great opportunity** to help a great charity, have a fun day volunteering and gain an insight into what is involved with a large scale charity sporting event! If you would like to volunteer please apply **one week before the event** on the [Cancer Research UK website](#).

Don't forget to follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) and watch out for announcements on [Minerva](#) to keep up with future developments and events!

Best wishes,

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