PhD Spotlight 2020: the winners

Congratulations to the winners of the PhD Spotlight competition 2020.

Prizes went to Kristl Kirk (Music), Petronel Geyser (York Law School), James Killen (York Law School) and Evelyn Tan (Computer Science). The overall winner was Petronel Geyser.

- Read a research summary of all PhD Spotlight finalists

Upcoming PGR training opportunities

Are you thinking of how you might take your research beyond academia? Would you like to engage with the public more effectively? Or learn how to network efficiently and develop collaborations?

The Research Excellence Training Team (RETT) are running training sessions to answer these questions and help you develop your profile as a researcher.

- Upcoming PGR training

Teach with the Maths Skills Centre

The Maths Skills Centre are recruiting PhD students to help with drop-in maths support sessions for undergraduates.

Tutors are not expected to be experts in all aspects of Maths or Statistics but you must be able to explain complex topics and ideas clearly and adjust your advice to different levels of student understanding. Application deadline: Friday 28 February 2020

- Find out more about teaching with the Maths Skills Centre
Explore career options and make plans

Upcoming career development opportunities include a new online course: Career Management for Early Career Academic Researchers. Consider what you want out of a career and explore your options. The four-week course began this week but you can still register and catch up.

Attend the Careers and Placements event What’s it like to be a Senior Civil Servant: Charlotte’s Story on Monday 3 February to speak with York alumni on the Civil Service Fast Stream and network with senior figures from the UK Civil Service.

Get involved with the York Festival of Ideas Fringe Family Fun Afternoon

Find out about some of the innovative and creative things that postgraduates did at last year’s Festival Fringe family fun afternoon. The University Events team are hosting a short session 2-2.30pm on Wednesday 29 January in The Treehouse (Berrick Saul Building) to invite you to be part of the event at this year’s Festival of Ideas.

- The York Festival of Ideas Fringe Family Fun Afternoon: how to be involved

York Researchers’ Night (YorNight) 2020

Take a journey around the world in a mock aircraft, try a bug flapjack or unleash your creativity on a graffiti wall at YorNight 2020. Through fun activities for all ages and thought-provoking talks, find out about the diverse research being carried out in York.

- YorNight 2020

Maths and Stats Week 2020

The Maths Skills Centre is hosting Maths and Stats Week from Monday 10 February. Themes of the week are succeeding in numerical reasoning tests, analysing and interpreting statistics, and combatting maths and stats anxiety. Bookings now open.

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Upcoming external events

Check out the Research Student Community blog for several external events coming up, including the British Academy Research Collaboration Symposium on the Anthropocene, a Sustainable development, complexity and change Summer School in Portugal, and the N8 AgriFood Doctoral Seminar in Leeds.

All these news items and more can be found on the Research Student Community blog