

## York Graduate Research School newsletter - July 2020

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### Extended: Covid-19 contingency measures for progression

Progression contingency measures due to the Covid-19 pandemic will now be in place until 31 December 2020. Therefore, students with progression deadlines in November and December 2020 will now follow the contingency measure for progression.

- [Contingency review of progress procedure](#)

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### Library reopening buildings from Monday 27 July

On Monday 27 July we'll be able to welcome back students, academic staff and other library users to the Morrell, Fairhurst and Burton. Find out about the services on offer, and the measures put in place to ensure everyone's safety.

- [Library reopening buildings](#)



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### WATCH: Latest PGR 'Question Time' Q&A

The PGR Question Time Q&A on Friday 19 June 2020 covered updates on how the University is further responding to the coronavirus outbreak. There were questions from students on campus reopening, the role of Graduate Teaching Assistants (GTAs), and issues affecting international students.

- [WATCH: Latest PGR 'Question Time' Q&A](#)

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### Being a Buddy for a New PGR Student



We want to do everything possible to extend a huge virtual welcome to all our new PGR students this autumn and to do this, we're asking for your help!

- [Being a Buddy for a New PGR Student](#)

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### How to thrive and survive in your PhD

The latest sessions in the 'How to thrive and survive in your PhD' series took place recently. If you missed them, we've made the talks available online so you can still catch some of the discussions. The 'Health, Wellbeing and Work-Life Balance' workshop explored issues that current PhD students are facing, including managing expectations of yourself, illness and caring responsibilities, and dealing with stress.

- [Health, Wellbeing and Work-Life Balance in the PhD](#)

The 'Thriving in your fieldwork' workshop looked at issues arising from fieldwork, including situations and results that weren't anticipated and planned for.

- [Thriving in your fieldwork \(even when things go wrong\)](#)

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## Research Assistant opportunity

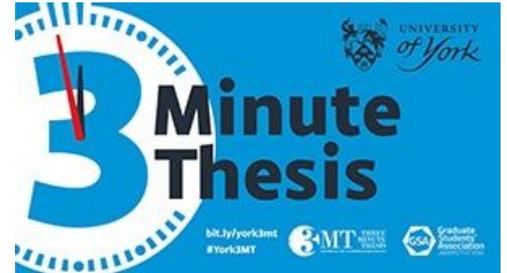
The Academic Support Office is looking for a Research Assistant to help inform initiatives to address continuation and award gaps between different student groups. This will include collating policy and guidance documents, gathering good practice from the sector and undertaking surveys. Application deadline: Tuesday 11 August 2020

- [Research Assistant opportunity in Access and Participation](#)

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## Our 3MT winners!

This year's Three Minute Thesis (3MT) finalists at York have done it again... and better! Presenting fantastic research that's set to change the world and the way we think, live and interact with each other, these 11 PhD researchers wowed our largest audience ever – 400 online viewers from around the world, across multiple time zones!



- [Re-live the Three Minute Thesis 2020!](#)

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## Teaching development and opportunities

The deadline to apply for the York Learning and Teaching Award (YLTA) has been extended to 1 September 2020. Graduate Teaching Assistants (GTAs) should apply for this nine-month taught course so you can reflect on and develop your teaching practice and help you plan for future employment.

- [Deadline extended: York Learning and Teaching Award](#)

The Department of Theatre, Film, Television and Interactive Media (TFTI) are currently recruiting for multiple positions.

- [New Graduate Teaching Assistant opportunities with TFTI](#)

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## How could the Careers and Placements service help me ?

Janice Simpson, the dedicated careers consultant for postgraduate students, has posted a series of blog posts outlining the kinds of help she can offer you. Whether you're planning a career inside or outside academia, get in touch with Janice for advice and support.

- [How could the Careers and Placements service help me ? Part 1: Information and Resources](#)
- [How could the Careers and Placements service help me ? Part 2: Individual Careers Advice](#)
- [New Careers Platform – Handshake](#)

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## Recent opportunities on the blog:

- [Understanding the REF: A quick primer for research students](#)
- [Newton Bhabha Fund PhD Placement Programme 2020](#)
- ["My Life in 2020" Wentworth Photo Competition](#)

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All these news items and more can be found on the [Research Student Community blog](#)

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