York retains prestigious award for supporting researchers

The University of York has been successful in retaining the European Commission (EC) HR Excellence in Research Award at the six-year review point. The award recognises an Institution’s commitment to implementing the UK Concordat to Support the Career Development of Researchers - principles that support all staff employed to conduct research (research fellows, postdocs and Principal Investigators) by promoting recruitment, career enhancement, equality and diversity. York is one of only eight UK universities to hold the award for six years. For more information, click here.

YorkTalks - Research in the Spotlight

YorkTalks is a day of inspirational short talks about the world-leading research happening at York and is being held in the Spring Lane Building on Wednesday 11 January 2017. Free and open to all, you can attend for a couple of hours or stay all day. For more information, click here.

Research Staff/Postdocs Conference, 23 June 2017

This event will celebrate the contribution that you make to the research culture at York. The morning will provide opportunities for the exchange of ideas around research and professional development. The afternoon will showcase the first Falling Walls Lab York public engagement event. Falling Walls is an international conference on future breakthroughs in science and society. Falling Walls Labs offer academics and professionals a
forum to present their innovative ideas, research projects and social initiatives. A programme and details on how to book a place will follow in the February newsletter.

**Falling Walls Lab York Research Theme Heats**

The [Falling Walls Lab York](#) will be preceded by a number of heats led by the Research Champions and aligned to the [University's 7 research themes](#). The heats will be held the week of **24 April 2017** and training will be provided to give participants the best possible chance of success. Heat winners will participate in the Falling Walls Lab York, along with other participants who have gone through selection, and the overall York winner will go forward to the Falling Walls Lab final in Berlin in November 2017. 'Preparing for Falling Walls' information sessions will take place on 8 and 23 February 2017 and are bookable via the University's Learning Management System.

**Annual Learning and Teaching Conference, 20 June 2017 - call for contributions**

The theme for this year's conference is 'The York Pedagogy - making it work' and colleagues are invited to contribute workshops and posters presentations. The deadline for **workshop submissions is 15 February 2017** and for **poster submissions is 6 April 2017**. For more information, click [here](#).

**Bookable courses in January and February 2017**

- **Managing Your Research Data**, 16 January
- **Public Engagement of Research**, 19 January
- **Applying for Jobs: Interviews**, 31 January
- **Research Integrity and Ethics**, 2 February
- **Managing Your Research Data**, 6 February
- **Preparing for Falling Walls**, 8 February
- **Building Impact Into Funding Proposals**, 9 February
- **Searching the Literature**, 9 February
- **Careers Beyond Academia**, 15 February
- **Preparing for Falling Walls**, 23 February
- **Searching the Literature**, 27 February
- **Know Your (Copy)rights**, 28 February

Research staff can also take advantage of development and training from the [open staff development programme](#) and our [coaching scheme](#).
"Very useful and refreshingly honest!"

"It was very engaging with just the right balance of taught material and workshop exercises."

- Careers Beyond Academia