Research staff training and support newsletter archive

Previous research staff training and support newsletters are now available to view online.

Concordat Action Plan 2016-18 - thank you!

A report on the progress made on the Concordat Action Plan 2014-2016 has been submitted as part of the 'HR Excellence in Research' process and a revised action plan 2016-2018 has been created. Thank you to all those who have contributed to the activities to support researchers, especially those who have created a research staff / postdoc forum. We hope the report reflects the work you have put in. Please have a look at the action plan and see how you can get involved.

JISCMA@il

JISCMA@il helps groups of individuals in UK Education and Research communities to communicate and discuss education/research interests using email discussion lists. It is funded by Jisc which is a charity that champions the use of digital technologies in UK education and research. Research staff support is one of a number of lists that might be of interest - it often features development opportunities for researchers.

Mentoring for contract researchers

On 28 September, the Research Excellence Training Team (RETT) held a first informal meeting to identify what mentoring for contract researchers and postdocs might look like at York. Colleagues from the universities of Oxford, Cambridge, Bristol and Sheffield helped to scope out the needs. It was a really positive meeting with
representation from researchers and research facilitators from nine departments. If you weren't able to make the meeting and would be interested in being mentored or being a mentor, please contact karen.clegg@york.ac.uk.

**York International Development Network - ECR and Research Student Welcome Week**

All early career researchers and PhD students are invited to an event organised by the new York International Development Network and taking place on 19 October from 4 until 6pm in Derwent College Senior Common Room. The event will showcase the research of a few early career researchers from York and introduce everyone to the Network. You can book a place now by clicking on this link.

**York Research Impact Conference**

This second annual York Research Impact Conference will take place on 6 December 2016 from 1 until 5pm in RCH/037, Ron Cooke Hub. The conference will feature a keynote address from James Wilsdon, Professor of Research Policy at the University of Sheffield, as well as presentations from York academics across the three faculties who have been working with non-academic co-producers of their research. You can book a place now by clicking on this link.

**Vitae 2016/17 programme**

Vitae's new programme is now available to view by clicking on this link.

**Courses in October and November**

The ESRC IAA is running two impact training courses for Social Sciences staff on 6 October. Please alert colleagues to:

- Marketing your research: Introduction to MailChimp
- Pathways to Impact in the Social Sciences

For more information on forthcoming events please visit: ESRC IAA events

- Searching the Literature, 10 October, 1 November and 25 November 2016 (separate courses)
- Managing Your Research Data (Sciences), 19 October 2016
- Career Planning for Research Staff, 2 November 2016
Managing Your Research Data (Arts and Humanities), 2 November 2016
Grant Writing, 7, 14 and 21 November 2016 (3-part course)
Making the Most of Your Voice, 11 November 2016
Managing Your Research Data (Social Sciences), 16 November 2016
Applying for Jobs: CVs and applications, 22 November 2016
Project Management (Research), 24 November and 1 December 2016 (2-part course)
Know Your (Copy)Rights, 30 November 2016

Research staff can also take advantage of development and training from the open staff development programme (e.g. Assert Yourself, Influence and Persuasion, Time Management) and our coaching scheme.

"I feel like I'll be better able to communicate my goals and make a case for funding for training in my next meeting with my supervisor. Thank you!"
- Career Planning for Research Staff, May 2016