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We are the Research Excellence Training Team (RETT), and we deliver & coordinate a comprehensive programme of professional development and skills training, for all Researchers at The University of York. Specialist training in research methods is typically provided by your Department and/or Doctoral Training Programme (DTP) for PGRs.

For Postgraduates (PGRs - PHDs and Masters by Research), we offer training via SkillsForge, which keeps track of your training record. This, along with your Personal Development Plan (PDP), feeds into your Thesis Advisory Panel (TAP) & meetings with your supervisor(s).

For Staff Researchers (Postdocs and above), we offer training via the Learning Management System (LMS).

Our 21/22 programme of training sessions is shown on the following two pages. To book, or to find out more information, simply click either the ‘PGR’ or ‘Staff’ links next to each respective course, which will then take you to the booking page for that session.

Follow us on Twitter, or see the YGRS blog for updates throughout the year.

Our training is focused around five key themes:

- Professional Development & Employability
- Partnerships, Collaborations & Civic Engagement
- Public Engagement & Communication
- Research Management & Leadership
- Community & Wellbeing

Have any questions? Please don’t hesitate to contact us!

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Professional Development & Employability

Academic Careers: What's Involved - PGRs
Academic Careers: CVs & Applications - Staff & PGRs
Academic Careers: Interviews - Staff & PGRs
Career Planning: Understanding Yourself and your Options - Staff & PGRs
Careers Beyond Academia: Exploring Options - Staff & PGRs
Careers Beyond Academia: CVs and Applications - Staff & PGRs
Careers Beyond Academia: Interviews - Staff & PGRs
Making the Most of your PhD - PGRs

Partnerships, Collaborations & Civic Engagement

Collaborate with Slack - Staff & PGRs
Networking and Collaboration: How Can it Help your Research? - Staff & PGRs

Public Engagement & Communication

Advanced Oral Presentations: Secrets of Great Presenters - PGRs
How to Prepare a Presentation - PGRs
It's all in the Presentation: Creating and Presenting your Slides - PGRs
Promoting Your Research Using Social Media - Staff & PGRs
Public Engagement of Research - Staff & PGRs
The Conversation Writing Workshop - Staff & PGRs
Posters with a Power(ful) Point - Staff & PGRs
Research Management & Leadership

Completing your Thesis - PGRs
Copyright for Researchers: Protecting your Own Work and Re-using Other People’s - Staff & PGRs
Creativity and Problem Solving - Staff & PGRs
Developing Effective People Management Skills - Staff & PGRs
Effective Project Management - Staff & PGRs
Effective Time Management - Staff & PGRs
EndNote 20 - Staff & PGRs
Framing your Research Question - PGRs
Getting Published in Peer-Reviewed Journals - Staff & PGRs
Making your Publications Open Access - Staff & PGRs
Managing Your Research Data - Staff & PGRs
Microsoft Word: Academic Documents - PGRs
Microsoft Word: Thesis Essentials - PGRs
Preparing a Funding Proposal - Staff & PGRs
Preparing for your Viva - PGRs
Research Integrity & Ethics - Staff & PGRs
Searching the Literature - Staff & PGRs
What is Open research and Why Does it Matter? - Staff & PGRs
Who’s Counting? An Introduction to Bibliometrics - Staff & PGRs

Community & Wellbeing

Finding your pathway to survive your research project - PGRs
Starting your PhD and Surviving the Journey - PGRs
Surviving and Thriving in your PhD as an International Student - PGRs
Additional Information

Events

3 Minute Thesis
The York Researcher Festival
PhD Spotlight
Doctoral Summer School

Mentoring and Coaching

Mentoring for Academic, Research (including post-docs), Teaching and Scholarship staff

PG Researcher Buddy Scheme

Find out more about our Buddy Scheme here - you can apply to be a buddy and/or a buddee

Early Career Research Fellows

Learn more about events and support for Early Career Research Fellows here