PG Induction

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PG Induction Events

• Induction, safety talk and welcome reception (yesterday)

• Student photographs 2pm in P564 (today)

• Physics Teaching and Demonstrating (tomorrow)
  • Starting with lunch from 1.15pm in P564
  • Demonstrating is a long-term (3 year) commitment due to training overhead
  • Its also fun and rewarding!
Supervision

Daily Supervision:
  Supervisor (and co-supervisor, if any)
  Research/Technical contract staff & other post-graduates

Progress Monitoring/upgrade:
  Director of Graduate Studies
  Consolidated feedback supervisor

https://moodle.warwick.ac.uk/
Training

Taught modules via the Midlands Physics Alliance Graduate School (MPAGS)

6 credits to be obtained during first 2 years

https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/sci/physics/current/postgraduate/regs/mpagswarwick

Doctoral Skills

To be completed over 3 years

https://moodle.warwick.ac.uk/
1. Look at what's on offer for MPAGS

2. Look at what's on offer as undergraduate courses in Physics and other relevant departments (usually Chemistry, Maths, Engineering, Comp Sci or, exceptionally, Life Sciences); also CSC.

3. Look at what's on offer through the various CDTs (MathSys, MAS, Polymers etc, full list here [Centres for Doctoral Training in the Sciences - University of Warwick](#))

4. Consider outside training possibilities, e.g. at Diamond or other central facilities.

5. Consider whether there are any summer/winter schools in your field that your student will be attending - these can count for MPAGS credit.
Mentoring

“Buddy” from years 2/3

Meet in first couple of weeks then ~1/term
4yr submission deadline

- **All** students have a 4-yr hard deadline by which they need to have submitted their thesis for examination

- Extensions are normally *not* granted

- Students may seek *temporary withdrawal* if they cannot engage with their project due to personal or medical issues.

- Don’t bypass the grad school by sending your thesis for examination!
Some key actions

- Finalise enrolment/ITS account and paperwork
- Research group specific admin
e.g. Centre for Scientific Computing account
- Discuss research project outline with supervisor
- Confirm reading list
- Identify and enroll for relevant MPAGS modules
- Identify 1st year Doctoral Skills actions
- Familiarise with departmental postgraduate webpages
- Prepare the Project Outline to be submitted in week 4

https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/sci/physics/current/postgraduate/regs/
Seminars

- Departmental Colloquia @ Wed 4:30pm (fortnightly)
  attendance compulsory for PhD students

  http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/sci/physics/events/colloquium/

- Research Group Seminars

- Post-graduate seminars (free drinks!), Thursdays at 5pm
Peer Support

- Talk to your fellow students!
- Coffee at 11.00 in Physics common room on 5th floor by pigeonholes (25p, free on Fridays)
- PG-SSLC
What if something goes wrong?

- Welfare (see our web pages)
- Talk to your fellow students(?)
- PGSSLC rep/Informal support coffee group
- Talk to the PG administrator
- Talk to me! (mediate/advise, temporary withdrawal, part time...)
- (Talk to the head of department)

https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/sci/physics/current/postgraduate/info/welfare
What do I need to know?

- Primarily - *where to look!*
  
  - Our PG webpages! (Google “Warwick Physics Postgraduate”)
    
    https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/sci/physics/current/postgraduate/
  
  - From these... MPAGS, Doctoral skills (*Moodle* Based),
    
    The Graduate School regulations, Welfare etc
Good luck!