

FOR RESEARCH ACTIVE STAFF

MAY 2015 E-NEWSLETTER

Learning & Development Centre

Research Active Staff

About



Current Development Opportunities



Events and News



Resource Bank



Funding Opportunities



The Research Community at Warwick



Your Employment at Warwick



FAQs

SUPPORT OVERVIEW

Learning and Development support for all Research Active Staff at Warwick focuses on five main areas:

- ⇒ Career Development
- ⇒ Enterprise & Entrepreneurship
- ⇒ Equality & Diversity
- ⇒ Leadership
- ⇒ Skills

Please contact Sandy Sparks: Sandra.Sparks@warwick.ac.uk with any queries or to discuss your needs.

Visit the website for Research Active Staff (below) for information on current support.

Research Staff Forum 20 May 2015: 12-2pm

We would like to remind colleagues that the next Research Forum meeting will be held on 20 May in the Wolfson Research Exchange (3rd floor library) and will be chaired by Sumit Hazra.

The meeting will begin with a free buffet lunch at 12pm.

The minutes from the last forum meeting in February 2015 can be found on the Research Staff forum website at:

<http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/services/ldc/researchers/community/rsf/>

The website also includes further information about the aims of the forum and who the departmental representatives are from across the university.

However, any research active staff member is welcome to join the meeting. If you would like to attend please email Lee Berdauskas (LDC admin support): researcherqueries@warwick.ac.uk

NEW THIS MONTH:

Event News:

- ⇒ Media Skills for Public Engagement
- ⇒ Research Data Management - Tools for Data Management

Support Update:

- ⇒ Warwick's membership of Vitae
- ⇒ Reports on recent development events

UPDATES ON: CAREER DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

International Women's Day 2015



An event was held on Tuesday 10th March to celebrate 'International Women's Day' in the Chancellors Suite, Rootes. The theme of the event was 'Beacons of Inspiration' and a number of talks were dedicated to inspirational women ranging from eminent scientists such as Dame Kathleen Lonsdale, Helen Megaw, Madam Marie-Sklodowska Curie and Gertrude Elion to a number of other 'inspirational women', such as Fatima Jinnah, founding mother of Pakistan. The event attracted an audience of both staff and students and feedback on the event was excellent. It is hoped to build its success by making it an annual occurrence and inviting more external speakers. Individual STEMM departments will also be arranging their own "inspirational female" speakers throughout 2015 to mark the University's 50th anniversary.



Professor Mike Glazer talking on his own personal experiences as a PhD student, under the supervision of Dame Kathleen Lonsdale.

Demystifying the Warwick Promotion Process

Thursday 12th March 2015

This was the third annual 'Demystifying the Promotion Process' event, which was open to both men and women and was attended by 37 members of staff. This event provided the opportunity for presentations from PVC's, Chairs of Faculties and members of the University Promotions Committee. Breakout sessions were also held on a number of topics. Feedback indicated that whilst all the promotion documentation is available on the university website, staff felt that it was invaluable to hear first-hand hints and tips that can be taken into consideration when looking to apply for promotion. The next Promotion event will be held in March 2016, date to be confirmed.

Contribute to Exchanges: the Warwick Research Journal

Exchanges, Warwick's open access journal, is dedicated to the publication of high-quality interdisciplinary work by researchers from all disciplines. You can submit an article for the next issue of Exchanges by 15 June for the October 2015 issue, which will feature an interview with Nobel-prize winner for Chemistry, Professor Michael Levitt. We provide feedback for all articles submitted.

Why publish with us? We offer an easy, transparent and quick publication process (6 months from call to publication). Furthermore, the journal offers the opportunity to increase your profile internationally, write for a non-specialist audience, showcase emerging research, take a creative approach to publishing and connect with the broader academic community. All published articles are listed in the Directory of Open Access Journals for high visibility and promotion of your article.

The journal is committed to supporting early career researchers through the publishing process. We obtain peer reviews for all papers submitted and pass on feedback to our authors. We will also assist with editing and proofreading, and general preparation for publication in order to help guide authors in preparing high-quality professional articles that promote their work to a wider multi-disciplinary community.

For further information on submission, examples of what we do and the current issue:
<http://exchanges.warwick.ac.uk>

=====

Research Data Management

A number of sessions have taken place recently to support research active staff in focusing on the effective management of project data - an increasingly important concern with funding bodies.

Two Resource Bank pages have been set up which include video's of the key workshop presentations and supporting files. We hope you will find these useful if you have been unable to attend the workshops held so far in person.

Research Data Management: the Essentials can be found at: http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/services/ldc/researchers/resource_bank/research_data_management_essentials/

Research Data Management: Data Management Plans at: http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/services/ldc/researchers/resource_bank/management_plans/

The next session in the series, Tools for Data Management, will take place on 9 June 2015, with links for details and booking on page 3 of this newsletter.

UPCOMING TRAINING & DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES



Vitae Membership What this means for your career development support

Warwick is now a member of Vitae, dedicated to world-class professional and career development of researchers. Vitae membership provides benefits to both staff and researchers through intelligence and briefings, influencing relevant policy, access to research projects and resources available for free use by members, and joining expert networks through the online **Vitae Community**.

All staff supporting researchers, including researcher developers, careers advisors, research managers, PIs and academic supervisors (and anyone else with an interest in research policy and development) should create an account at www.vitae.ac.uk to take full advantage of the membership benefits.

Take a few minutes now to get started with Vitae membership ...

- ⇒ Register with your institutional 'ac.uk' email address for full access:
<https://www.vitae.ac.uk/membership/register>
- ⇒ Sign up for the Membership newsletter - Vitae News - by ticking 'I would like to receive Vitae updates and information'.
- ⇒ Create your profile on the Vitae website and publish it in the Membership Directory.
- ⇒ Join **Vitae Community**, an online community for members with an interest in researcher development.
- ⇒ Detailed instructions of these steps can be found on the current members webpage: <https://www.vitae.ac.uk/membership/current-members>

Some of the expert website content for your own professional use or to utilise with researchers includes:

- ⇒ Careers destinations and professional development
- ⇒ Advice for supervising doctoral students
- ⇒ Resources for equality and diversity in research careers
- ⇒ Leadership development for principal investigators
- ⇒ Advice for completing a doctorate
- ⇒ Research staff resources for staying in and moving out of academia.
- ⇒ Example CVs
- ⇒ Managing a research career
- ⇒ Online hangouts and access to the UK 3 Minute Thesis

LDC EVENTS

**** Further events for 2015 have been confirmed, click on the titles below for more information and booking. ****

Visit the Programme of Events for Research Active Staff for details on our events: http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/services/ldc/researchers/events_news/ras_events/

=====

6 May 2015

Planning Your Publication Strategy: Journals (Arts & Social Sciences) **

6 May 2015

Get Your Career on Track: The Art of Time Creation

14 May 2015

Planning Your Publication Strategy: Scholarly Books **

16 May, 2 & 16 June 2015

Preparing for Leadership

20 May 2015

Research Staff Forum Meeting

21 May 2015

Academic Writing: Writing for Non-Specialist Audiences

1, 8 & 15 June 2015

Leadership in Action

4 June 2015

Planning Your Publication Strategy: Conference Papers **

5 June 2015

Media Skills for Public Engagement **

9 June 2015

Research Data Management: Tools for Data Management **

17 June 2015

Planning Your Publication Strategy: Social and Informal Publishing **

24 June 2015

Academic Writing: Online Dissemination for Impact

2 & 3 July 2015

Academic Writing Away Days

**** denotes introductory level collaborative events being run between Student Careers & Skills, the Library and LDC.**

Research Active Staff Network Funding

Thirteen applications for funding have now been approved for activities during the rest of the academic year:



- ⇒ The Medical Statistics Book & Journal Club
- ⇒ Health Economics Journal Club
- ⇒ Warwick Women in Science Network
- ⇒ WMG Researcher Forum
- ⇒ Network for Early Researchers within WMS
- ⇒ Discourse Studies in the Social Sciences
- ⇒ Research Methodology Advice Service
- ⇒ Qualitative and Mixed Methods Interest Group
- ⇒ Education Researchers Network
- ⇒ Life Cycle Assessment
- ⇒ Borders, Race, Ethnicity & Migration (BREM)
- ⇒ Creating a G+ Community (focusing on language teaching and research)
- ⇒ Minorities Within the Military: Inter-disciplinary Network

For further details about the fund—**with £1,000 still available**— visit: http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/services/ldc/researchers/funding/network_funding
Information about the networks can be found at: <http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/services/ldc/researchers/community/networks/>

WMS Medical Statistics Book and Journal Club

The Club will be discussing chapters 7-9 of Pepe's 'The Statistical Evaluation of Medical Tests for Classification and Prediction' on **26 May 2015 at 11.15am**.

The following meeting will discuss articles on 'Insufficient effort responding' on **16 June 2015 at 11.00am**.

Go to <http://warwick.ac.uk/wmsbookclub> for more details and links to books and articles.

Please contact Tom at t.hamborg@warwick.ac.uk if you would like to attend or be notified of future meetings.

Research Development Fund

Warwick's Research Development Fund (RDF) is now open to applications for activity taking place between 1 August 2015 and 31 July 2016.

The RDF provides pump-priming funds for the development of external funding applications. Projects can vary in size and awards are supported under its strategic or development strands.

Strategic Awards

An annual competition to provide up to £25,000 of support for the development of new research initiatives which are innovative and clearly of a strategic nature. Projects should ideally be inter or multi-disciplinary and must show clearly that they will lead directly to future bids for external funding.

Deadline: Friday 22 May 2015, 4pm.

Development Awards

Rolling funds are available for modest support for research activity specifically related to department/faculty/university strategic priorities.

Further details about both strands can be found at: <http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/services/ris/fundingopportunities/opportunities/rdf>

JSPS London Pre/Postdoctoral Fellowship for Foreign Researchers

The Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) is the leading research funding agency in Japan, established by the Japanese Government. This current funding available for foreign researchers provides the opportunity for researchers based outside of Japan to conduct collaborative research activities with leading research groups at Japanese Universities and Research Institutions for visits of between 1 to 12 months. Eligible applicants need to be either within 2 years of finishing their PhD at the time of applying, or have obtained their PhD after 2 April 2009.

The application deadline is 1 June 2015.

For further details visit the JSPS London website: <http://www.jsps.org/funding/2015/03/the-jsps-london-call-for-the-prepost-doctoral-fellowship-for-foreign-researchers-short-term.html>