

## **Welcome to *Invest in Yourself* - UWE Bristol's Researcher Professional Development Programme 2020/2021**

**Welcome to our suite of workshops**, designed to help you hone the skills, attributes and behaviours which define a successful researcher. As the title suggests, and whether you're a fully-fledged Professor or just starting out as a postgraduate researcher - or anywhere in-between - here is a series of opportunities to invest in your own professional and personal development. And if there are opportunities not currently listed here that you'd like to see offered - [let us know](#)

Most of all, please take these opportunities to meet fellow UWE researchers who are going through similar experiences, to learn from those who've gone before or share with those coming after, and to experience the 'creative collisions' which are such a vital part of research culture.

Whatever your particular research journey or destination, whatever stage you're at, hopefully there's something here to meet a need, provide support at a critical point or even inspire that magic Eureka! moment.

We hope to see you at a workshop soon, and look forward to helping you with your researcher professional development needs.

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**COVID-19 information** – please note that all *Invest In Yourself* workshops are being delivered online until further notice. To enable us to respond flexibly to the developing situation, we're currently releasing dates for Doctoral Essentials workshops for the full academic year, together with other workshops for the period 1 October to 31 December 2020.

What's on Offer?	What's in it for You?	Personal Development	What You'll Take Away
<b>Doctoral Essentials – dedicated spaces for UWE Bristol Postgraduate Researchers</b>			
<p><b>PGR Welcome</b></p> <p><a href="#">Book via UWE Research Events webpage</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity to obtain an overview of the institutional support available throughout your research degree programme</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Academic acculturation</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet your peer group across the whole University</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet staff</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knowledge of UWE support structures and services</li> <li>• Knowledge of doctoral criteria</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE's researcher community</li> </ul>
<p><b>Developing Your Research Proposal (RD1)</b></p> <p><a href="#">Book via UWE Research Events webpage</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity to obtain an understanding of the Project Registration (RD1) process (summative assessment point)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Skills and confidence to navigate the Project Registration (RD1) assessment process</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pass Project Registration</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE's researcher community</li> </ul>
<p><b>The Progression Exam</b></p> <p><a href="#">Book via UWE Research Events webpage</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity to obtain an understanding of the Progression Exam (RD2) process (summative assessment point)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Skills and confidence to navigate the Progression (RD2) assessment process</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pass your Progression exam</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE's researcher community</li> </ul>

<p><b>Progress Review</b></p> <p><a href="#">Book via UWE Research Events webpage</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity to obtain an understanding of the Progress Review (PR) process (summative assessment points)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Skills and confidence to navigate the Progress Review (PR1-4) assessment processes</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet your peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pass your Progress Review stages 2-4</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE's researcher community</li> </ul>
<p><b>Thesis Boot Camp</b></p> <p><a href="#">Contact us for further information</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity for dedicated time to write thesis chapters in a supportive environment</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learn generative writing techniques</li> <li>• Learn about thesis structure</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet your peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draft thesis chapters and chapter plans leading to timely submission - may also be used for your Progression and PR assessments</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE's researcher community</li> </ul>
<p><b>The Final Viva</b></p> <p><a href="#">Book via UWE Research Events webpage</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity to obtain an understanding of the final submission, final viva voce examination and post-viva processes (summative assessment point)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Skills and confidence to navigate final submission and assessment process</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet your peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pass your final assessment and achieve your PGR award</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE's researcher community</li> </ul>
<p><b>Looking After Yourself During A Doctorate</b></p> <p><a href="#">Book via UWE Research Events webpage</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity to obtain advice on maintaining mental health and work-life balance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acquire self care skills</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet your peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be better equipped to care for yourself during your PGR studies, and therefore more likely to submit on time</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE's researcher community</li> </ul>

**Open to all UWE Bristol Postgraduate Researchers and research staff**

<p><b>Introduction to Teaching and Learning</b></p> <p><a href="#">Book via the UWE Academic Practice Directorate</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity to explore the principles and practice of teaching and learning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acquire teaching skills</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet your peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased confidence as a teacher</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE’s researcher community</li> </ul>
<p><b>Guide to Searching and Organising the Literatures</b></p> <p><a href="#">Book via UWE Research Events webpage</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity to identify relevant literature search tools and learn about searching techniques</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acquire literature searching skills</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet your peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Literature review</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE’s researcher community</li> </ul>
<p><b>The Writers Room</b></p> <p><a href="#">Contact us for further information</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity for dedicated time to write alongside peers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop your identity and confidence as a writer</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet your peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Written research outputs eg PGR thesis, article, book</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE researcher community</li> </ul>
<p><b>Project Management in a Digital World</b></p> <p><a href="#">Book via UWE Research Events webpage</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity to explore digital project management tools</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acquire project management skills</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet your peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feel in control of your research project</li> <li>• Submit your thesis on time</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE’s researcher community</li> </ul>

<p><b>Introduction to Qualitative Data Analysis</b></p> <p><a href="#">Book via UWE Research Events webpage</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity to learn about common approaches to analysing qualitative research data</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acquire greater understanding of qualitative research epistemology</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet your peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conduct high quality qualitative data analysis</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE's researcher community</li> </ul>
<p><b>NVivo*</b></p> <p><a href="#">Book via UWE Research Events webpage</a></p> <p><i>Priority booking given to PGRs; research staff welcome space permitting (charge applies)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity to learn to use NVivo software</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acquire NVivo software skills</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet your peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conduct high quality qualitative data analysis</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE's researcher community</li> </ul>
<p><b>Introduction to SPSS</b></p> <p><a href="#">Book via UWE Research Events webpage</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity to learn to use SPSS software</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acquire SPSS software skills</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet your peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conduct high quality quantitative data analysis</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE's researcher community</li> </ul>

<p><b>Introduction to R</b></p> <p><a href="#">Book via UWE Research Events webpage</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity to learn to use R software</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acquire R software skills</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet your peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conduct high quality quantitative data analysis</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE's researcher community</li> </ul>
<p><b>Introduction to Qualtrics</b></p> <p><a href="#">Book via UWE Research Events webpage</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity to learn to use Qualtrics software</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acquire Qualtrics software skills</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet your peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conduct high quality quantitative data analysis</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE's researcher community</li> </ul>
<p><b>Research Integrity and Data Management</b></p> <p><a href="#">Book via UWE Research Events webpage</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity to learn about research integrity and data management and how they relate to your own research</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acquire new knowledge and skills relating to research integrity and data management</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet your peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Compliance with UWE Research Governance requirements</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE's research community</li> </ul>

<b>For UWE Bristol Research staff</b>			
<p><b>Introduction to Doctoral Supervision: Pedagogy and Practice</b></p> <p><a href="#">Book via UWE Research Events webpage</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity for first-time supervisors to learn about the theory and practice of PGR supervision</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acquire new knowledge and skills relating to PGR Supervision</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet your peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Compliance with requirement that all PGR supervisors must undertake supervision training</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE's research community</li> </ul>
<p><b>PGR Supervisor Masterclass</b></p> <p><a href="#">Book via UWE Research Events webpage</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opportunity for experienced supervisors to update your PGR supervision knowledge and skills</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acquire further knowledge and skills relating to PGR Supervision</li> <li>• Opportunity to meet your peer group across the whole University</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Compliance with requirement that all PGR supervisors must undertake supervision training</li> <li>• Feel part of UWE's research community</li> </ul>