Get equipped for your research degree

- Research integrity, ethics, health and safety, equality and diversity
- Project management
- Presenting with impact
- Writing
- Data management
- How to fail your PhD, the board game
Find your communities for personal, professional and career development

Examples: GRAD on the Island & the PG Leadership Programme, eSharp, or events and networks focussed on entrepreneurship, public engagement, teaching…
Connect with other researchers

PGR blog, yammer group for distance PGRs, PGR gardening or bake-off….
“These courses have really made a difference to me - I was at a conference last week and I'm much more confident and my presentation has improved!”

“Amazed at how reinvigorated I feel at a time in my PhD where I was starting to feel really jaded.”

“The way it helped you view your supervisor’s job was enlightening. Since then, I've been able to get a better relationship with mine.”

“Really impressed with something I was initially dubious about.”

“Speeded up thesis writing incredibly.”
“Researchers do not appear to be able to articulate their personal skills well and are unable to talk to employers in their language.”

Source: Empress Study, Leeds University
Learning isn’t just going on a training course
Start building your skills and looking for opportunities
Start

Why?

Who?

Success?

How?
What Suits You, Your Research, and Your Audience?

Bolt On

Classic

Mediated

Behind the Scenes

Blended
The ESRC have PE resources and funding opportunities: check their website!

Public engagement

Social science research plays an important role in our society. Public engagement is about raising awareness of the social sciences and encouraging involvement in both social and science-related research, which will translate into real benefits for society and individuals.

Festival of Social Science
Our annual UK-wide celebration of the social sciences.

Social Science for Schools
Teaching resources, fact sheets and news - bringing social science to the classroom.

Photographic competition
Our annual photo competition for young people.

Public engagement guidance
Practical Stuff

- Book courses via My Campus (make sure you hit “Submit”!)

- Track the things you’ve done (including through other organisations) and discuss your training needs with your supervisor (not just at annual progress review).

- Do what you want to do, not just what you think you need to do!
Thank you!

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