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IAD
for Researchers
at a Glance



Writing
Present your ideas effectively in publications and proposals



Funding

For tailored development opportunities and new networks



Careers
Understand your options, marketing yourself effectively, make the right decisions



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Develop effective connections with researchers, stakeholders and employers



Engagement

Support to reach new audiences and promote the value of research in society



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Research Staff Newsletter

March 2020

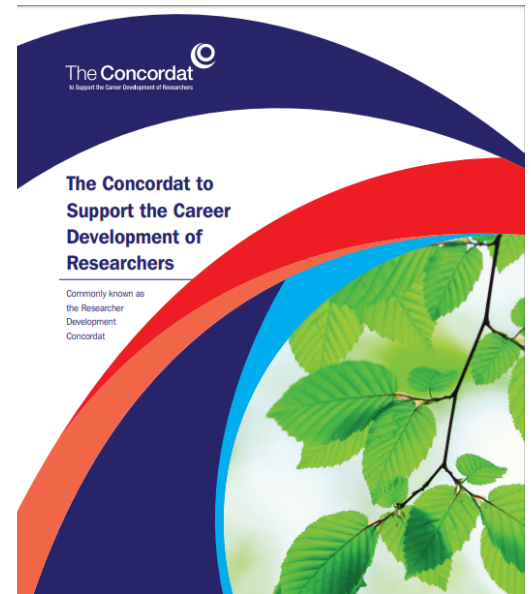
Semester 2 Research Staff Workshops | <https://edin.ac/2ysaTiv>

The Concordat to Support the Career Development of Researchers

On 4th February 2020, The University of Edinburgh signed the Concordat to Support the Career Development of Researchers. The Researcher Development team in the IAD has been running consultation events around the three Colleges, to get the views and needs of research staff and their managers. When we start to put together our Concordat Action Plan, we want it to reflect the expectations and responsibilities of research staff, their managers and the institution.

If you were unable to attend any of the consultation events don't worry, you still have an opportunity input into the process. Further information and the discussion points used during the consultation events are included in this short BOS survey, anyone who would like to be involved in the consultation process, please complete the relevant sections. <https://edinburgh.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/shaping-our-concordat-response>

The key discussions at the four Consultation Events centred around: Contracts, Recognition and Career Paths, Professional Development and Culture which may give you an idea of the type of things that are being raised.



Research Staff Careers Workshops and 1-1 Career Consultations

IAD have recently welcomed Eleanor Hennige into post as their dedicated Research Staff Careers Consultant. Eleanor has responsibility for holding individual Career Consultations with researcher staff across the University and delivering workshops.

1-1 Career Consultations

A research staff career development consultation is a one-to-one appointment with a professional careers adviser. You can have as many consultations as you need and they are available all year round. Career Consultations are currently available on Monday and Tuesdays.

For more information and to book a consultation slot visit: <https://edin.ac/2PTKK7B>

Careers Workshops

The following workshops will be running over the next few months:

- CV Briefing Session: Non-Academic CVs | 10th March 2020, <https://edin.ac/2uVJyui>
- Changing Careers: Where Do I Start? | 7th April 2020, <https://edin.ac/38n88lt>
- Changing Careers: Exploring Career Options | 21st April 2020, <https://edin.ac/32Pc1yv>
- Getting the First Lecturing Job | 5th May 2020 <https://edin.ac/38n8vMT>

For more information visit: <https://edin.ac/2Tqr12h>

SRHE Prize for Newer Researchers

Each year the **Society for Research into Higher Education (SRHE)** invites applications from Newer Researchers to enter a research proposal for a small scale project under an SRHE Prize scheme. All entries are reviewed by an expert panel of experienced researchers. The successful SRHE prize winner receives a number of benefits from the Society in addition to the prize money awarded to fund the selected project. **Entry is open to all** and not restricted to current SRHE Members. **The SRHE Prize for Newer Researchers is jointly sponsored by SRHE and Routledge Taylor & Francis Group.**

Call Closes: 31st March 2020 . For more information visit: https://www.srhe.ac.uk/research/SRHE_newer_researchers.asp

Mental Health Training for Staff

Four mental health training sessions for staff members are now live on MyEd. Student Disability are running these as central sessions and are open to all staff, including research supervisors. Put 'mental health' in the 'Training and event booking' search box and the sessions are listed.

Online training resource for supporting students with mental health problems

An e-learning portal has been created by the Charlie Waller Memorial Trust, to increase awareness of the signs and the dangers of depression amongst students. Developed by the Charlie Waller Memorial Trust, this new e-learning package is designed to give non-specialist staff the skills, knowledge and confidence to offer a first line of support to students who may have mental health issues. <https://edin.ac/2Gb9gjl>

Career Development Support for Technicians | March - May Workshops *(click on web links below for dates and booking link)*

Taking Steps to Plan your Career: This 1-day workshop will allow you to understand and present the skills, knowledge and experiences you have to offer to support you develop in your career. <https://edin.ac/2N9yi3i>

Career Insights: These 1hr discussions aim to support you explore the different career paths available to you. <https://edin.ac/2oHTOmV>

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SULSA Postdoc Skills Development Workshops: Now Open!

During June 2020 SULSA are running a series of free postdoc skills development training events around Scotland.

Eligibility: **Open to all SULSA post-docs**

- **Research Project Management** – University of Strathclyde
- **Working Effectively with Industry** – University of Aberdeen
- **Developing your Research Strategy** - University of Dundee
- **Building Effective Collaborations** - University of Edinburgh

Places at the workshops are limited so interested postdocs must apply by **Friday 1st May 2020**. You can find full details on the workshops and how to apply at www.sulsa.ac.uk/skills-training

Medical Research Council early career researchers: did you know that NIRG grantholders can now join The Academy of Medical Sciences Mentoring programme?

Find out more: <http://socsi.in/JhOgs>



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