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Researcher Development Programme

This newsletter is for postgraduate researchers in the School of Technology, and provides you with information about training & development opportunities that are available.

Researcher Development Programme Courses

12 November	Being Assertive: Making Yourself Heard
14 November	Starting your PhD
22 November	Writing your First Year Report
23 November	I Don't Have Enough Time: Managing your Priorities
23 November	Skills Analysis One-to-One
27 November	Writing Research Papers
27 November	MBTI: Understanding Personality in Research Environment
29 November	Effective Communication (Non-Verbal)

30 November	Solving Research Problems Creatively
04 December	Starting your PhD
05 December	I Don't Have Enough Time: Managing your Priorities
06 December	Presentation Skills with One-to-One Feedback
06 December	Effective Communication (Verbal)
10 December	Selling Skills
13 December	The Art of Negotiation and Influence

How to book?

You can access all Researcher Development Programme courses:

<http://www.training.cam.ac.uk/gdp/event-timetable>

University Library

The Library runs a broad range of courses that can be found at:
<http://training.cam.ac.uk/cul/theme>

Academic Reading and Writing

<http://training.cam.ac.uk/cul/event/526030>

How To Do A Literature Search

<http://training.cam.ac.uk/cul/event/518981>

Referencing Without Tears

<http://training.cam.ac.uk/cul/event/518936>

Computing Service Courses

The University Computing Service runs a broad range of training including software, programming, as well as training that might be of particular use to researchers (i.e. EndNote, Zotero, LaTeX, Stata, SPSS etc.)

You can find more information on courses and how to book:

<http://www.training.cam.ac.uk/ucs/event-timetable>

New Media for Researchers

Cambridge JBS Information and Library Service developed an ever-evolving list of different media links and resources. If you want to know more about different online media (i.e. blogging, gathering and/or storing information, referencing etc.) and how you could use it in and for your research please visit:

<http://newmediaforresearchers.wordpress.com/>

Reviews in Computational Biology: Assimilate, Write and Evaluate Reviews

APPLICATION DEADLINE: Friday, 7 December 2012

MORE INFO: www.ccbi.cam.ac.uk/Education/reviews.php

Summary

The course aims to develop two important skills critical for a career in either academic research or industrial R&D: the ability to identify the next relevant questions from the scientific literature and to improve effective scientific writing. The course extends over the entirety of **Lent Term 2013** and introduces doctoral students to the processes of review writing, manuscript submission and peer review. Students will attend the CCBI on Wednesday afternoons for a two-part session. The first part is the attendance of the CCBI seminar series where a guest lecturer will be asked to present research and importantly provide an outline for a new review that can be written in a subtopic in their area of interest. In the second part, we will discuss the proposed review and aspects of publishing including the processes of literature searching, scientific writing and peer-review in general.

Participation

The course is designed for a limited enrolment of first- or second-year PhD students from all Schools (Graduate School of Life Science, School of Physical Sciences, School of Clinical Medicine, School of Technology). There is a **10-week commitment on Wednesday afternoons starting promptly at 2pm** and a workload outside the class mainly concentrated in the 2-week writing assignment.

CSaP Professional Development Policy Seminar for Early Career Researchers

WHEN: 6 December 2012, 10.30 - 5.30

WHERE: The Royal Academy of Engineering (RAE), London

The Centre for Science and Policy at the University of Cambridge would like to invite you to participate in a Professional Development Policy Workshop. The workshop, which has been sponsored by the RAE, will bring together policy makers and researchers *who wish* to engage in discussion and debate and think longer term about career paths and goals.

The purpose of the seminar is to bring together policy makers and early career researchers working on technology and engineering-related issues – such as **Aerospace, Bioengineering, Electrical, Electronics, Industrial, Manufacturing, Materials, Mechanical, Military Engineering, and Transport & Infrastructure** – who wish to engage in discussion and debate and think longer term about career paths and goals.

More information about the event and how to book your place you can find here:

www.csap.cam.ac.uk/events/pdps-engineers-dec-2012

Enterprise Tuesday

Enterprise Tuesday is a series of free evening lectures and networking sessions. The programme aims to introduce participants to the world of business, as well as to encourage and inspire individuals to pursue their entrepreneurial ambition. It is the most popular non-assessed programme within the University and the model has been adopted by numerous other academic institutions as well as corporations.

Who is it for?

Enterprise Tuesday is particularly relevant for postgraduate and postdoctoral researchers considering future career paths, those exploring entrepreneurial opportunities and looking to build high quality networks with experts and practitioners. It is also a chance for the business community to mix with the next generation of talent.

Enterprise Tuesday takes place in November and February each year. In general, the theme of the first term of lectures is inspiration and the second term is about information or the 'how to' of becoming an entrepreneur.

More about the events and how to register:

<http://tinyurl.com/EnterpriseTuesday12>

National GRAD School

WHEN: 20 November – 23 November 2012

WHERE: Windermere (The Lake District)

MORE INFO: <http://tinyurl.com/UKGRADSchool-Nov>

UK GRADschools are experiential learning courses designed to develop your transferable skills as a postgraduate researcher. Many researchers who attend the course have a transformational experience, empowered to take charge of their own learning and career. They are designed to enable you to:

- develop your personal effectiveness
- identify ways to communicate effectively
- make more informed choices about your future and own and manage the next step of your career.

NOTE: National GRADSchool is free for RCUK funded students!



ETECH Projects

ETECH Projects accelerate entrepreneurship and diffusion of innovations based on early stage and potentially disruptive technologies from the University of Cambridge. The projects are run in conjunction with credit bearing courses on Entrepreneurship offered at a number of University departments.

In the last six years, ETECH Projects have been delivered in more than nine University departments to 400+ undergraduate and postgraduate students with 30+ inventors, and resulted in the evaluation of over 50 novel technologies. Building on this solid foundation, ETECH Projects aim to reach out to more departments within the University of Cambridge, helping to accelerate entrepreneurship and innovation.

For more information please follow <http://www.cfel.jbs.cam.ac.uk/programmes/etech/> or contact Programme Manager on etechprojects@jbs.cam.ac.uk or phone 01223 766900



Comments, questions, suggestions and feedback are always welcome.

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