

Get your research degree off to a flying start

All postgraduate students in the School of Arts, Social Sciences and Humanities are warmly invited to a series of events, designed to help you prepare for confirmation. There are two components: hour-long **lunchtime seminars** (every second Thursday); and **SISR's Research Methods Workshop** (an intensive week-long course, obligatory for first-year on-campus RHD students). All events are interactive, student directed and problem focused, and will allow you to:

- meet researchers and students from across the School and Faculty
- develop advanced skills in social and cultural research
- develop advanced writing and communication skills
- receive feedback on your project and methodology
- prepare for the Confirmation of Candidature review

Session title	Date	Time	Venue	Target cohort
The PhD: how to make it work for you	Thur 2 April	1.30pm	AMDC206	1st-year PhDs and MAs
Advice from recent graduates	Thur 16 April	1.30pm	AMDC206	All welcome
Focusing your research question	Thur 30 April	1.30pm	AMDC206	1st-year PhDs and MAs
How to write a literature review: Part I	Thur 14 May	1.30pm	AMDC206	1st-year PhDs and MAs
How to write a literature review: Part II	Thur 28 May	1.30pm	AMDC206	1st-year PhDs and MAs
<i>SISR Research Methods Workshop</i> – an intensive seminar on methodology (nb: this is obligatory for first-year, on-campus PhDs). Full details on the course are circulated in April.	Mon 1 Jun- Fri 5 Jun	10am- 5pm	AMDC206 & Library	1st-year PhDs and MAs
Refining your research design and justifying your method	Thur 18 Jun	1.30pm	AMDC206	1st-year PhDs and MAs
Elements of style: Eight aspects of writing to make your thesis sing	Thur 2 July	1.30pm	AMDC206	All welcome
Preparing your ethics application	Thur 16 July	1.30pm	AMDC206	1st-year PhDs and MAs
Giving conference papers	Thur 30 July	1.30pm	AMDC206	All welcome
Drafting your confirmation document	Thur 13 Aug	1.30pm	AMDC206	1st-year PhDs and MAs
Building a competitive academic CV	Thur 27 Aug	1.30pm	AMDC206	All welcome
TBC (to be decided by group)	Thur 10 Sep	1.30pm	AMDC206	1st-year PhDs and MAs
PhD examination demystified	Thur 24 Sep	1.30pm	AMDC206	All welcome
Publishing in academic journals	Thur 8 Oct	1.30pm	AMDC206	All welcome
Publishing for a wider audience: opinion pieces, news media and books	Thur 22 Oct	1.30pm	AMDC206	All welcome

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