

DTP Updates

Grand Union DTP Launch Party and 2017 New Student Inductions

Thanks to all who signed up and came along to the DTP Launch Party, it was a great event and lovely to see lots of current students.

The following day we also welcomed our new DTP Scholars across the three Universities at the New Student Induction Session. The presentation slides from the session have been attached in case helpful for a quick recap for everyone of studentship arrangements.

2017-18 Student Cluster/Pathway Reps

Thanks to those who have volunteered recently, we now have reps for most pathways for 2017-18. An updated list is available on the [DTP website](#), do contact your rep if you have feedback or suggestions for the DTP.

If anyone does not want their contact details passed on to the relevant pathway reps, please let us know at granduniondtp@socsci.ox.ac.uk

Diary Reminders

Half Term Lunch (*Tomorrow*)

Friday 3rd November 12.30pm, Social Sciences Lecture Theatre, Manor Road Building, Oxford.

We are going to start hosting a Scholars 'half-term' networking lunch and talk. This term it will be in Oxford at the Manor Road Building Friday November 3rd with lunch planned for 12.30 (slightly earlier than advertised) in the Common Room.

If you are planning to come to lunch, please email granduniondtp@socsci.ox.ac.uk so we can make sure there are sufficient sandwiches.

'Shut Up and Write!' Sessions for ESRC Scholars

Details available at www.granduniondtp.ac.uk/events

Regular 'Shut up and write' sessions for students who'd benefit from peer support (or a bit of pressure) to help produce their written material.

ESRC Social Event

Hosted by the Scholars' Association in Oxford in late November/early December

Date to be confirmed but will be available on the [Events section](#) of the website soon.

Overseas Institutional Visit Competition – Deadline 1 December 2017

See the DTP website for an [overview](#) of the scheme, and well as [full guidance and application form](#).

The ESRC provides some funding to support the international engagement of students. The DTP will hold 3 competitions in 2017-18 where students can apply for support through the scheme, with the first deadline of 1 December.

Training Events

Academic Publishing: Making strategic choices *(Tomorrow)*

3rd November 2017 1.30-3pm, Lecture Theatre, Manor Road Building

Sign up for the talk at: <http://researchtraining.socsci.ox.ac.uk/node/370> (there are some places still available)

As a DPhil student, how do you start thinking strategically about publications? From journal articles to edited book collections : where do you start?

The workshop is led by Dr Penelope Woolf, Head of Impact at OUP, and a highly experienced senior publisher, with contributions from Dr Heath Rose, Associate Professor in the Department of Education, and from David Mills, DTP Director.

NCRM training courses and events for 2017/18

The ESRC is advertising training and events available through the National Centre for Research Methods up until March 2018. See the [ESRC website](#) for more details.

Student Activity and Events

This month, Ivo Gruev gives us an overview of his ESRC-funded placement/internship at the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA). During his time at the UN, Ivo had the opportunity to prepare humanitarian affairs reports, policy papers, policy guidelines and presentations in relation to public international law and humanitarian policy.

Read more in his attached report, and do get in touch with Ivo if you have queries or are interested in doing your own internship/placement.

We're keen to promote your ESRC-funded events and activities on our website and via the newsletter. If you have an event supported by the Incubator Fund, or have just returned from a great ESRC-funded trip and would like to share your experiences and encourage other to consider a similar activity, do contact us at granduniondtp@socsci.ox.ac.uk. Any items for the newsletter will need to reach us a few business days before the end of the month.

Open University Events

Digital Health and Wellbeing Conference 2018

1-3 May 2018, Open University Campus, Milton Keynes.

This year's theme is "*Fusion – All things Digital Health & Wellbeing*".

See the [conference website](#) for details on registration and call for abstracts.

Also, see [here](#) for details on upcoming seminars in Health and Wellbeing research at the Open University. Seminar topics include *'First aid – a gap in public health strategy'*, *'Pedagogical social media'* and *'Interpreting in the healthcare context'*.

Student Funding

Updated guidance documents and application forms for the various funding schemes available to DTP students can now be found on the [DTP website](#). Please ensure you review the guidelines and timelines for applications/claims this year, even if you feel that you're familiar with the schemes. Avoid disappointment and potentially expensive mistakes by reading the guidance early and following the correct procedures!

For quick reference, there's a table summarising requirements and scheme eligibility on the [DTP website](#). Take 5 minutes to start the process by checking when you should apply for funding, and what you will need to do.

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