**Online Researcher Development Resources**

Based within our Moodle environment we have a number of courses suitable for PhD students and staff new to research. The online courses are available on the Community Moodle space: <http://moodlecommunity.napier.ac.uk/course/view.php?id=222>

TO enrol for the Research Skills course use GBNP1 as the enrolment key. If you have any questions about the courses please email [RIOevents@napier.ac.uk](mailto:RIOevents@napier.ac.uk)

We are using a blended approach integrating these resources into some of our face-to-face sessions as well as encouraging researchers to use the online resources when it best suits their needs. To help with engagement we will focus on particular aspects of the online course over a 2 week block, by initiating online discussions, running short WebEx sessions at lunchtime, and having workshops which will connect to the online content. The workshops will allow researchers the opportunity to apply what they have learnt from the online content to their own project.

The ‘focus on’ weeks are as follows:

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| **‘Focus on’** | **Weeks** | **Overview** | **Webex** | **Workshop** |
| **Introduction Fortnight** | 23rd Oct 2017 to 3rd Nov | Helping to introduce researchers to the online resources | 25th Oct 1-2pm | 30th Oct 1.30-2.30pm |
| **Literature Reviewing** | 6th Nov to 17th Nov | Introducing systematic and comprehensive approaches to carrying out a literature review in any discipline | 8th Nov  3-4pm | 16th Nov 2-4pm |
| **Avoiding plagiarism** | 20th Nov to 1st Dec | Using good referencing practice to avoid plagiarism | 20th Nov  3-4pm | 29th Nov 2-4pm |
| **Research methods** | 4th Dec to 15th Dec | Explores research methods used in different disciplines (there are courses for Science, Arts and Humanities, Social Science) | 5th Dec  1-2pm | 8th Dec  2-4pm |
| **Research ethics** | 15th Jan 2018 to 26th Jan | Investigates standard practice and recent changes in universities' ethics relating to research that investigates people and their data | 18th Jan  1-2pm | 24th Jan, 10am-noon |
| **Working with supervisors** | 29th Jan to 9th Feb | Explores key features of strong student – supervisor relationships | 31st Jan 1-2pm | 7th Feb 1-3pm |
| **Conferences, Presenting and networking** | 12th Feb to 23rd Feb | Encourages researchers to attend conferences and improve their presenting and networking skills | 14th Feb, 1-2pm | 22nd Feb, 10am-noon |
| **Research Project management** | 26th Feb to 9th March | Helps researchers to organise their approach to undertaking, leading or helping to lead a research project | 28th Feb, 1-2pm | 7th March, 10am - noon |
| **Publishing your research** | 19th March to 30th March | Helps researchers develop and plan an appropriate publication strategy for an early academic career | 21st March,  1-2pm | 28th March,  1-3pm |
| **Career planning** | 17th April to 27th April | Encourages researchers to start thinking about their future career options | 17th April,  1-2pm | 25th April, 1-2pm |

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