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| **TRIMESTER ONE - 2018** | | | | | |
| **Title** | **Date and time** | **Location** | **Facilitator** | **Audience** | **Brief description** |
| CSO visit to Edinburgh Napier University | 11-13:30, 2nd October | 1.D.04, Sighthill | RIO | All researchers | Patricia Krus, Manager, Carnegie Trust for the Universities of Scotland will be visiting the University on Thursday 10 January (11.00am-1.30pm). Patricia will present on the funding available from the Carnegie Trust.  For over a century, the Trust has funded student fees, scholarships, bursaries and research grants. It operates across all academic disciplines to encourage wider access to higher education and further research in the Scottish universities.  With annual funding of around £2.5 million, the Trust is one of the largest educational grant giving charities in Scotland.  [Click here to book a place](https://staff.napier.ac.uk/learningevents/Pages/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=4413228q0k) |
| **WebEx:** Using reference management software | 1-2pm,  3rd October | Online | Gráinne Barkess | All researchers | In this online session we will have a look at some popular software tools to tame all those articles and books into a bibliography fit for your thesis or latest paper.  [Join the meeting here](https://napier.webex.com/napier/j.php?MTID=m32f08114192bdcd6371d2a6187baa818)  (password: refman) |
| On Cartoons and Sketch-Notes: The Power of Doodling in Communicating Research and Inspiring Engagement | 10.15 – 11.15am,  10th October | LRC5, Sighthill | Kate Thomas and Katrina Swanton | All researchers | Join us for a roundtable discussion about sketching as a tool for thinking and for inspiring engagement with research and practice.    This informal session will introduce cartooning and sketch-noting, with inputs from Kate Thomas (Birmingham City University) and Katrina Swanton (Edinburgh Napier University).  Come and hear about how they are developing their craft, share examples of practice, and maybe (if you wish) pick up a pen and give doodling a go.  Register on Eventbrite [here](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/on-cartoons-and-sketch-notes-the-power-of-doodling-in-communicating-research-and-inspiring-tickets-49892929094?utm_term=eventurl_text). |
| Examining Research Degrees | 09:30 – 12:30, 16th October | E9, Merchiston | Chris Atton | Examiners / Panel chairs/ Supervisors | Learn about the various roles of examiners during a research degree viva and hear about viva procedures here at ENU  [Click here to book a place](https://staff.napier.ac.uk/learningevents/Pages/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=4385178q0k) |
| ThinkWrite: Quality Papers: 10 steps to getting published in your target journal | 9:15-4:30pm, 23rd October | LRC5, Sighthill | ThinkWrite, Karen Bunday | Research Staff and Late Stage Research Students | Research active staff and late stage research students are invited to attend a session run by Researcher Development organisation ThinkWrite. This workshop will help build strategies to assist with writing papers for publication.  [Click here to book a place](https://staff.napier.ac.uk/learningevents/Pages/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=4168948x6h) |
| Research Student Induction | 9.30-4pm,  24th October | 3.D.12,  Sighthill | Gráinne Barkess and Calum Neil | Early stage Research Students | Meet other students starting out on a research degree and hear all about research degrees and how research is supported here at ENU  Email [RIOevents@napier.ac.uk](mailto:RIOevents@napier.ac.uk) to book a place |
| Supervisory Community of Practice | 9.30-4pm, 29th October | E9, Merchiston | Gráinne Barkess, Calum Neill | All supervisors | Experienced research supervisors are welcome to join the final day of our Supervising Research Degrees course where they can stay up to date with regulation changes, and have a chance to discuss some of the challenges of research degree supervision.  Attendance for experienced supervisors will count towards the requirement to attend regular refresher briefings every 2 years as detailed in the Research Degrees framework.  [Click here to book a place](https://staff.napier.ac.uk/learningevents/Pages/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=7806018vmH) |
| Developing research literature Reviews | 10am – noon, 1st November | F14, Merchiston | Gráinne Barkess | Early stage Research Students | This workshop will support researchers who have been using our online Epigeum course on Research methods for literature reviewing, by providing an opportunity for discussion of the theories as they apply to student’s own topics.  [Click here to book a place](https://staff.napier.ac.uk/learningevents/Pages/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=9009728q0k) |
| Teaching at University for PGR students | 9-30-4pm, 2nd & 5th November | E9, Merchiston | Anne Tierney | **Any stage - research students** | This course is designed to support research degree students who are currently teaching or are about to start teaching at university. The sessions will give you a chance to explore different teaching approaches and to reflect on your own teaching experiences.  [Click here to book a place](https://staff.napier.ac.uk/learningevents/Pages/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=1685328x6h) |
| Supervising Research Degrees | 9.30-4pm,  Day 1: 6th Nov  Day 2: 4th Dec  Day 3: 5th March | Day 1 – LRC5, Sighthill  Day 2 – E9, Merchiston  Day 3 – room tbc | Gráinne Barkess, Calum Neill | Staff new to supervision | A 3-day course focusing on developing your role as a research degree supervisor. To participate you need to be able to attend all three days of the course. The course is aimed at new supervisors, but you do not need to be currently supervising a research student.  [Click here to book a place](https://staff.napier.ac.uk/learningevents/Pages/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=0634528q0k) |
| Creative Practice as research | 15:00-17:00pm 6th November | E9, Merchiston | Dr Kirsten MacLeod | All researchers | This workshop explores journeys to creative practice related research and frameworks for research design.  [Click here to book a place](https://staff.napier.ac.uk/learningevents/Pages/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=3076558q8u) |
| **WebEx:** What does a great thesis look like? | 1-2pm,  7th November | Online | Gráinne Barkess | **Any stage – research students** | In this online session we’ll hear from experienced examiners, Prof Chris Atton and Prof Bill Buchanan on what they look for in a thesis, and consider their top tips for a great thesis – from structures, signposting, and articulating the original contribution to knowledge needed for a doctoral thesis.  [Join the meeting here](https://napier.webex.com/napier/j.php?MTID=m7bcd377a9a25f5939bf5630b3dcdbaed)  (password: thesis) |
| Good referencing practice for researchers | 10am – noon, 8th November | G8, Merchiston | Gráinne Barkess | Early stage research students | This workshop will explore referencing practices, and will look at reference management software as one way to stay on top of your references. We will identify sources of info from across the university that underpin good referencing practices.  [Click here to book a place](https://staff.napier.ac.uk/learningevents/Pages/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=8587998q0k) |
| Introduction to SPSS with Statistics: 2 day course | 930-5pm,  12 -13th November | 0/09, Craiglockhart | Elizabeth Wiredu, external facilitator | All researchers | The introduction to SPSS with Statistics course is a two-day course designed to help you to acquire the skills necessary to create SPSS files from scratch, from paper based questionnaires or imported data from Excel datasheets, ready for descriptive statistics and graphical summaries.  [Click here to book a place](https://staff.napier.ac.uk/learningevents/Pages/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=9385758q0k) |
| The Viva Experience | 09:30 – 12:00, 13th November | E9, Merchiston | Chris Atton | Late stage Research students | This session will cover every stage that occurs in a real *viva* situation. From the roles of examiners, the types of common questions you might encounter, through to the decision process by the examiners and what happens post *viva*.  [Click here to book a place](https://staff.napier.ac.uk/learningevents/Pages/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=3381258q0k) |
| Introduction to NVivo 10 - two day course | 930-5pm,  14th-15th November | 0/09, Craiglockhart | Elizabeth Wiredu, external facilitator | All researchers | Start your qualitative project or literature review with this NVivo 10 hands-on workshop. This course is designed for the complete beginner as well as those who have used previous versions of the software.  [Click here to book a place](https://staff.napier.ac.uk/learningevents/Pages/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=0618718q0k) |
| Postgraduate Funding: Considering the Alternatives | 14:00 – 17:00 19th November | 2/04, Craiglockhart | Luke Blaxill | **Any stage –research students** | Need extra funding for fees, living expenses, research, travel, conferences, or 4th year PhD writing-up costs? If you are a postgraduate student then consider this workshop. It explores the thousands of alternative grant-making bodies in the UK: principally charities, trusts and foundations. Participants will also gain access to the Alternative Guide to Postgraduate Funding - the premier database for alternative funding - which can be used after the session.  [Click here to book a place](https://staff.napier.ac.uk/learningevents/Pages/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=9829938q0k) |
| Writing for funding – Missenden two day course | 22nd-23rd November | E9, Merchiston | John Wakeford | Staff only – by invitation / nominations from Schools | The Missenden Funding Workshop has been created for academic staff with an ambition to be research pioneers and proficient at obtaining research funding. The masterclass is designed to develop expertise through a comprehensive programme of hands-on learning and shared experience culminating in the creation of a draft of a fully worked out bid for funding.  For more information contact [RIOevents@napier.ac.uk](mailto:RIOevents@napier.ac.uk) |
| Project management for research | 930-5pm,  29th and 30th November 2018 | E9, Merchiston | Catherine Lyden, external Facilitator | All researchers | A comprehensive introduction to the process of managing projects and the tools to assist in planning and tracking progress; this course is intended to be immediately applicable to planning and managing a research project as well as commercial projects.  [Click here to book a place](https://staff.napier.ac.uk/learningevents/Pages/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=2010488q0k) |
| **WebEx:** Planning your research career development | 1-2pm,  6th December | Online | Gráinne Barkess | All researchers | In this online session we will introduce you to our online Researcher Development planner which you can use to plan your own career development.  [Join the meeting here](https://napier.webex.com/napier/j.php?MTID=m94b1214068a83c177e9603549ebaade6)  (password: planner) |
| Write now! | 10th – 12th December | Edinburgh Conference Centre | Gráinne Barkess | All researchers | A non-residential writing retreat aimed at students who are writing up their thesis or researchers working on academic articles/book chapters. Come along for 3 days of intensive writing time.  [Click here to book a place](https://staff.napier.ac.uk/learningevents/Pages/EventDetails.aspx?EventID=2003598q0k) |

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