



Good News

Thesis submissions

- Congratulations to **Danielle Ladhardt** for submitting her thesis!
- Congratulations to **Philippa Carr** for submitting her thesis!
- Congratulations to **Sanne Velthuis** (FBL PGR, who is friends with many in HLS) for submitting her thesis!

Conferences

- **Angela Hands** gave a presentation at the [International Society for Physical Activity and Health conference](#). The presentation went really well.
- **Laura Wilde** also presented a poster at the [International Society for Physical Activity and Health conference](#).

Public Appearances

- **Danielle Labhardt** gave a well-attended and great talk at the Coventry 'Psychologist in the Pub' event, that took place at The Phoenix in October

- **Diane Ménage** spoke at the Professional Midwifery Advocates event that took place in October
- **Jenny Mackay** gave a PsyPAG-funded workshop called 'Conducting systematic reviews in psychology' in Coventry

Jobs

- **Philippa Carr** got a job at Leeds Beckett University!

If you want to have your good news in future issues, please contact us at:

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REP UPDATES

HLS PGR Feedback Survey - PART 2

In the last 2 months or so, you will have received many emails from **Sarah Charles** about your PGR experience in HLS at Coventry. Sarah is making it her mission this year, as co-senior REP, to ensure that as many changes are put in place as possible in the faculty to help all students have a better experience.

The fact that there are issues at CU is not a secret, and the most recent **PRES results** (which were not good) demonstrates that.

A part of this mission to improve PGR experience involves getting as much feedback as possible, so that the changes that are made are ones students would like.

Many students already answered the first survey that was sent out about 3 weeks ago, with some insights already being delivered to senior staff in HLS.

For some changes, however, we need some more specific feedback. As a result, a 2nd survey that takes about 10-15 minutes to complete was designed to help us show not just senior HLS staff, but senior CU staff what it is the PGRs both want and need, so that the appropriate action can be taken to improve all of our experiences

here.

Please, could you take just 10-15 minutes of your time to answer these questions. With each person who responds, the added weight of another PGR voice can be used as evidence for the need for certain changes.

[Click here](#) to complete the 2nd survey. ***You can respond to this survey even if you didn't answer the previous survey***

All responses will be anonymous, unless you specifically give your name in your responses.

Hot Desking in RC4

HLS are making space available for hot-desking for PhD and MRes PGRs in the CABS open plan area. This is in the central-right section RC4 (to the right of the reception desks if you enter via the lift). If necessary, reception can point you to the correct location.

Desks that are allocated for hot-desking will display a sign saying: 'This desk is available today'. If you use the desk, put the sign to one side and then replace it in a prominent position at the end of the day.

Most of the desks have a desk-top PC but, if you need one, laptops may be available to sign out from reception for a day at a time. (The laptops are used for fieldwork so availability isn't guaranteed.)

The signs also note etiquette around using the desks, e.g. leaving the desk as you found it. Please be mindful that others will be using the space.

Please note, the area dedicated to PGRs at the other end of the floor is still available and still exclusive to PGRs.

This CABS section has been opened up to allow for more space for the large number of PGRs who have expressed that they would come in if they were more likely to have space.

New Framework

The new research student framework is now in place.

For more information about the new framework, please go to [this site](#).

For those who have moved to the new system, you will have now been contacted by rru.reg to complete your **Research Degree Development Agreement**. Please be sure to complete this before the deadline that you have been given.

Also, please do write into us with your experiences on the new framework, so we can inform people who are having PRPs in Jan/May on whether it will benefit them.

Booking Rooms at Elm Bank

The RECAP team have now started allowing students to book rooms at Elm Bank for studying or meeting purposes.

For booking a seminar/workshop/reading group (capacity 25 people) just fill in [this form](#)

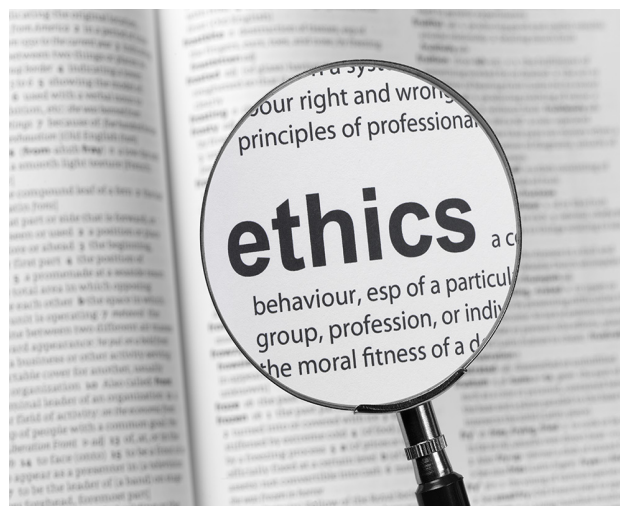
For larger spaces, send an email to the RECAP team (RECAP@coventry.ac.uk) with your request. These will be dealt with on a case by case basis.



Research Spotlight - Jorje Lopez

This month, sports scientist **Jorje Lopez** is put under the spotlight.

[Click here to see the full article](#)



Thinkpiece/Reflection: NHS Ethics - A Brief Guide and Reflection

In this Thinkpiece/reflection hybrid, **Becky Seymour** talks about her experience of getting through NHS ethics and provides some useful tips.

[Click here to see the full article](#)



Event Spotlight: HLS Workshops

The HLS workshop series will be starting on **Wednesday 8th November**, at 1pm, with the first talk being given by Dr Mike Price in **RC213** More information is on the [Opportunities](#) page of the website, under Workshops

Research Participation

We do not have any research being advertised on the website at this time.

However, if you would like your research to be listed on the website if you are in need of participants, please email

James Bartlett at:

cov.pgrnewsletter+researchptps@gmail.com.

Opportunities

Many opportunities are listed on the website, from PhD and post-doc positions, to workshops and events.

Click the picture to see more opportunities that might be of interest.



Professional Advice: Mike's Mic

This month, Dr Mike Price provides his 2nd contribution - this time with just a short tip about finding your safe space.

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