


ESRC Grant Assessment Panels

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Peer Review College

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- Provides peer review comments for applications across all schemes
 - ESRC needs >3,500 reviews each year
 - Consists of a group of approx. 2000 experts (UK and overseas based academics, and users) who have agreed to review up to 8 proposals each year
 - Handles many types of proposals (research, training and KT) and grant evaluations
 - Reviewers selected from outside the College as necessary

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Organisation
Grant Scheme

Duration: [REDACTED]

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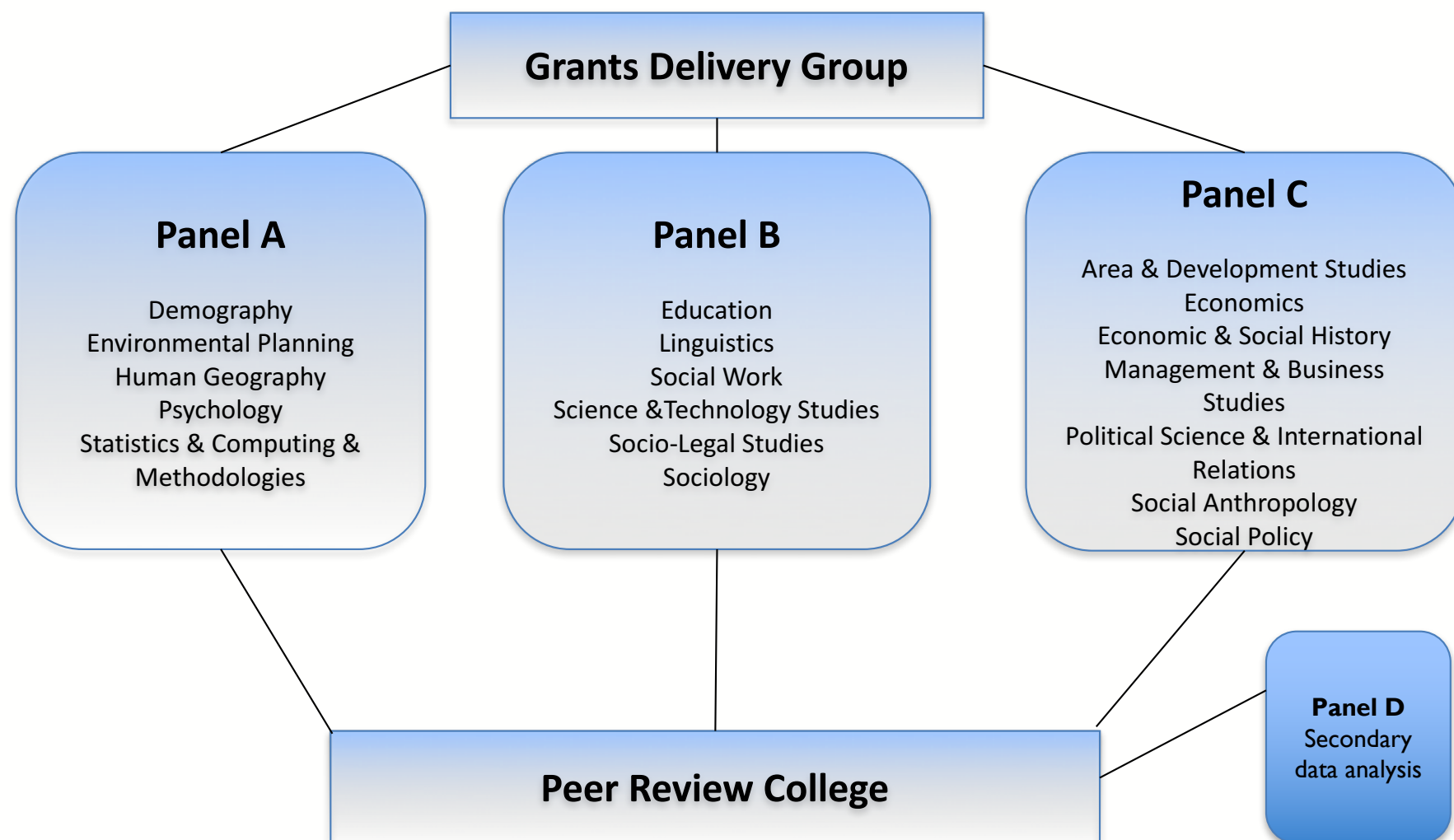
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External		[REDACTED]							
Reviewers	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		Other Reviewer	Usable	5	[REDACTED]		
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Peer review: in practice

Research Grants (£350K- £1M)

- Typically 3 reviewers, depends on value of proposal
- Applicants may nominate 2 academic referees and 2 user referees
- Reviewers assess on a scale of 1-6 (with 1 as the lowest available score)
- Proposals receiving an average reviewer score of below 4.0 are normally rejected without referral to the panel. Reasons why a proposal may fail at this stage include failure to :
 - convey the excellence of the research
 - set out an appropriate and convincing methodology
 - demonstrate value to potential users outside or within the research community
 - convince reviewers of the applicants' ability to deliver the research
 - demonstrate value for money
- Panel Introducers use a scale of 1-10 for their assessments (1 as the lowest)
- Proposals are ranked by average of two Introducer scores for GAP meeting, with mechanisms for dealing with divergent scores.

Grant Assessment Structure



Membership of the Grant Assessment Panels September 2016

Panel A

Professor Peter Mitchell (Chair)	University of Nottingham
Professor Allan Hill (Vice Chair)	University of Southampton
Professor Clare Holdsworth	Keele University
Professor Donald Houston	University of Portsmouth
Professor Cecilia Wong	University of Manchester
Professor Gregory Maio	University of Bath
Professor Ian Apperly	University of Birmingham
Professor Ian Rivers	University of Strathclyde
Professor Judi Ellis	University of Reading
Dr Kate Bennett	University of Liverpool
Professor Kate Nation	University of Oxford
Professor Klaus Kessler	Aston University, Birmingham
Professor Manuela Barreto	University of Exeter
Dr Marcus Green	Non-academic member
Ms Stacy Sharman	Non-academic member
Ms Jo Sharpen	Non-academic member
Professor Sven Mattys	University of York


Panel B

Professor Sally Power (Chair)	Cardiff University
Professor Susan Hunston (Vice Chair)	University of Birmingham
Dr Angharad Beckett	University of Leeds
Dr Denise Martin	University of West Scotland
Professor Diamond Ashiagbor	SAS, University of London
Professor Helen Kennedy	University of Sheffield
Dr John Jessel	Goldsmiths University of London
Professor Louise Ryan	University of Sheffield
Professor Paul Connolly	Queen's University, Belfast
Mr Peter Moyes	Non-academic member
Professor Robert Evans	Cardiff University
Professor Roumyana Slabakova	University of Southampton
Dr Sandra Duggan	Non-academic member
Professor Steven Shardlow	Keele University
Professor Susan Robertson	University of Cambridge
Ms Yvette Hutchinson	Non-academic member

Panel C

Professor Jane Millar (Chair)	University of Bath
Professor Catherine Schenk (Vice Chair)	University of Glasgow
Professor Campbell Leith	University of Glasgow
Professor Chris Skelcher	University of Birmingham
Professor Edward Newman	University of Leeds
Professor Giulia Iori	City, University of London
Professor Ian Tonks	University of Bath
Professor Jean Grugel	University of York
Mr Jerry Blackett	Non-academic member
Mr John Holden	Non-academic member

Grants Assessment Panels (GAPs)

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- Three panels, meet simultaneously three times a year (March/April, July, November)
 - Cross-panel assessment of proposals which cross remits
 - Consider proposals submitted to ESRC **responsive mode** scheme
 - Funding recommendations for schemes such as the seminars competition are made by specially constituted Commissioning Panels
 - Make recommendations to the Grants Delivery Group in ranked lists and with supporting qualitative comments
 - Can impose conditions: i) take account of advice, ii) imposed as part of award, iii) response required in advance of final decision (action by Office), iv) response required in advance of final decision (action by Panel member)

Peer review (responsive mode)

