

## University Graduate School events

The University Graduate School runs a calendar of events throughout the year both for the general public and for our postgraduate researcher community. Our regular calendar includes the following events:

### Research Poster Conference



The University Graduate School's flagship event is the Research Poster Conference, normally held in June. The historic Aston Webb building is opened up to the public to view the breadth of research that happens across the University Colleges. Postgraduate researchers are on hand to present their work to the public and a panel of judges, and a buffet lunch is available for all.

See the University Graduate School's [events page](https://intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/studentsservices/graduateschool/events/index.aspx) (<https://intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/studentsservices/graduateschool/events/index.aspx>) for details of an upcoming Research Poster Conference or the [news page](#)

(<https://intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/studentsservices/graduateschool/news/index.aspx>), for information on previous winners.

### The Images of Research Exhibition



How do you sum up an entire research project in one image? That's the challenge given to our researchers as participants of the Images of Research. Part of the University's Arts & Science Festival in March, Images of Research allows members of the public to come and enjoy some amazing images, meet the people behind them and even vote for their favourite.

The University Graduate School's [Images of Research page](/as/studentsservices/graduateschool/events/public/imagesofresearch.aspx) (</as/studentsservices/graduateschool/events/public/imagesofresearch.aspx>) has details of any upcoming Images of Research events. The previous images in the exhibition can be found on our [Flickr photostream](http://www.flickr.com/photos/70731382@N04/sets/) (<http://www.flickr.com/photos/70731382@N04/sets/>).

If you are a current postgraduate researcher and would like to enter, see our [Images of Research applications](#) (<https://intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/studentsservices/graduateschool/eventinfo/imagesofresearch.aspx>) page.

### Welcome and induction



Postgraduate researchers can start at the University at any time of year. Although many start in September, the traditional start of the academic year, we also receive a big intake in January and also throughout the year depending on course, discipline and funding method.

The University Graduate School has a dedicated [induction page](#) (<https://intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/studentsservices/graduateschool/newpgr/index.aspx>) for new postgraduate researchers to explain all of the support services available to you during your time at Birmingham. We also run Coffee and Cakes networking [events](#) (<https://intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/studentsservices/graduateschool/events/index.aspx>) during the official University [Welcome](#) ([welcome/index.aspx](https://intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/studentsservices/graduateschool/events/index.aspx)) in September and dedicated [induction workshops](#)

(<https://intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/studentsservices/graduateschool/skills/training/index.aspx>) throughout the year from September 2014.

### Think Graduate School Fridays



Think Graduate School (or TGS) Fridays are events for postgraduate researchers, by postgraduate researchers. One of the most important aspects outside of their research that our postgraduate researchers are interested in is meeting other postgraduate researchers.

TGS Fridays addresses this need with a short talk about a topic relevant across research disciplines followed by informal discussion and networking - all over some free refreshments.

For details of upcoming TGS Fridays talks, and an archive of old talks, see the [TGS Fridays webpage](#) (<https://intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/studentsservices/graduateschool/eventinfo/tgsfridaylistings.aspx>) for more details or you can follow a live event on Twitter from the [University Graduate School Twitter account](#) (<http://www.twitter.com/uobgradschool>) using [#TGSFridays](#) (<https://twitter.com/search?q=%23TGSFridays&src=hash>).

### The University Graduate School Awards



Once per year, the University Graduate School likes to recognise the great things that our postgraduate researchers and the staff that support them do.

Awards are presented in a number of categories, including the prestigious [Michael K. O'Rourke prize for PhD best publication](#) (<https://intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/studentsservices/graduateschool/news/public/mkorourke.aspx>), that recognises outstanding publications in academic journals by University of Birmingham PhD researchers.

The [Awards for Excellence in Doctoral Research Supervision 2014](#) (<https://intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/studentsservices/graduateschool/news/public/excellencesupervision.aspx>) recognise the important role that supervisors have in helping a PhD researcher to completion. More details can be found at the above link on how to nominate your supervisor for this award.

For more information about any of the University Graduate School's events please see our [internal events pages](#) (</as/studentsservices/graduateschool/eventinfo/index.aspx>), the Graduate School [Twitter account](#) (<https://twitter.com/UoBGradSchool>) or email us at [graduateschool@contacts.bham.ac.uk](mailto:graduateschool@contacts.bham.ac.uk).

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