

AUTUMN 2026 RRDP TIMETABLE – courses will be delivered either face to face or online

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The mode of delivery (online or face-to-face) is indicated in the course title/event.

Abbreviations for streams used:

- **Sci/Life Sci:** session is for students working in the discipline areas of Science and Life Sciences.
- **AH/SS/HBS** session is for students working in the discipline areas of Arts, Humanities, Social Science and for students from the Henley Business School.
- **All:** all disciplines

COURSE TITLE/EVENT & MODE OF DELIVERY	STREAM	PRESENTER/S	YEAR GROUP	AVAILABLE TO ECRs	DATE	START TIME	END TIME
RRDP - Delivering a presentation (face-to-face) 07/10/2026	AH/SS/HBS	Richard Blakemore	All	No	07/10/2026	11.00	12.00
RRDP - Writing a thesis chapter (face-to-face) 07/10/2026	AH/SS/HBS	Richard Blakemore and Ellen Pilsworth	All	No	07/10/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - Careers: Resume for researchers (R4RI) - What, why and how (face-to-face) 08/10/2026	All	Rachel Lewis, REIO Team	3 rd and 4 th	No, as available via UoRLearn	08/10/2026	11.00	13.00
RRDP - From thesis to monograph and beyond: Navigating the publishing process (face-to-face) 13/10/2026	All	Marrisa Joseph	All	Yes	13/10/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - Language for research series. Writing clearly - Coherence, flow & cohesion (for international students only) (face-to-face) 13/10/2026	All	Karin Whiteside, ISLI	All	Yes	13/10/2026	10.00	12.00
RRDP - Introduction to research computing (face-to-face) 13/10/2026	All	Maria Broadbridge	All	Yes	13/10/2026	14.00	16.00

Induction event for new postgraduate research students (face-to-face) 14/10/2026	All	Various	1 st (Oct 26 new starts/Apr 26 late starts)	No	14/10/2026	13.00	14.00
Induction event for new postgraduate research students - Post induction afternoon tea (face-to-face) 14/10/2026	All	N/A	1 st (Oct 26 new starts/Apr 26 late starts)	No	14/10/2026	14.15	15.15
RRDP - Language for research series: Voice, stance and criticality (for international students only) (face-to-face) 15/10/2026	All	Karin Whiteside, ISLI	All	Yes	15/10/2026	10.00	12.00
RRDP - Surviving the viva (face-to-face) 15/10/2026	Sci/Life Sci	Bob Rastall	2 nd and 3 rd	No	15/10/2026	11.00	13.00
RRDP - Ways of knowing series. Critical thinking and open minds: A new community of practice for statistics *new* (online) 20/10/2026	All	Francesco Tamagnini	All	Yes	20/10/2026	13.00	14.00
RRDP - Language for Research Series. Introducing and concluding research (for international students only) (face-to-face) 20/10/2026	All	Karin Whiteside, ISLI	All	Yes	20/10/2026	10.00	12.00
RRDP - Finding your way (online) 20/10/2026	All	Members of the Academic Liaison Librarian Team	1 st	No	20/10/2026	14.00	15.30
RRDP - Ensuring confirmation of registration (face-to-face) 20/10/2026	Sci/Life Sci	Bob Rastall and Sonia Hood	1st and 2nd	No	20/10/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - ORCID identifiers – what are they and why do I need one? (face-to-face) 21/10/2026	All	Karen Rowlett and Claire Collins	2 nd and 3 rd	No, as available via UoRLearn	21/10/2026	14.00	15.30

RRDP - Endnote (face-to-face) 21/10/2026	All	Members of the Academic Liaison Librarian Team	All	Yes	21/10/2026	11.00	13.00
RRDP - Sourcing information for a literature review - information retrieval (face-to-face) 21/10/2026	All	Members of the Academic Liaison Librarian Team	1 st	No	21/10/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - Language for research series. The literature review (for international students only) (face-to-face) 22/10/2026	All	Karin Whiteside, ISLI	All	Yes	22/10/2026	10.00	12.00
RRDP - Introduction to spatial data analysis with QGIS *new* (face-to-face) 27/10/2026	All	Lukas Makovsky	All	Yes	27/10/2026	10.00	14.30
RRDP - Language for research series. Describing and rationalising methods (for international students only) (face-to-face) 27/10/2026	All	Karin Whiteside, ISLI	All	Yes	27/10/2026	10.00	12.00
RRDP - Sourcing information for a literature review - information retrieval (online) 27/10/2026	All	Members of the Academic Liaison Librarian Team	1 st	No	27/10/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - Introduction to altmetrics (face-to-face) 28/10/2026	All	Karen Rowlett and Claire Collins	All	No, as available via UoRLearn	28/10/2026	14.00	15.30
RRDP - Navigating collections (online) 28/10/2026	All	Rhi Smith, MERL	1 st	Yes	28/10/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - How to write a thesis (face-to-face) 28/10/2026	Sci/Life Sci	Darius Widera	2 nd and 3 rd	No	28/10/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - Copy that! Copyright for Researchers, Part 2 (online) 28/10/2026	All	Chris Jones	All	Yes	28/10/2026	14.00	15.30
RRDP - Boost motivation and maintain your productivity (face-to-face) 29/10/2026	All	Alicia Pena Bizama	All	No	29/10/2026	11.00	12.00
RRDP - Managing data and research material (face-to-face) 29/10/2026	AH/SS/HBS	Robert Darby	All	No, as available via UoRLearn	29/10/2026	14.00	15.30

RRDP - Language for research series. Reporting and discussing results (for international students only) (face-to-face) 29/10/2026	Sci/Life Sci	Karin Whiteside, ISLI	All	Yes	29/10/2026	10.00	12.00
RRDP - Applying for a post-doc (online) 02/11/2026	AH/SS/HBS	Richard Blakemore	3 rd	No	02/11/2026	14.00	15.00
RRDP - Ways of knowing series. The search for knowledge: An introduction to epistemology, Parts 1-5 (face-to-face) 03, 05, 10, 12 & 16/11/2026	All	Francesco Tamagnini and Athena Leoussi	All	Yes	03/11/2026 05/11/2026 10/11/2026 12/11/2026 16/11/2026	10.30 14.00 10.00 11.00 10.00	12.30 16.00 12.00 13.00 15.00
RRDP - Ensuring confirmation of registration (face-to-face) 03/11/2026	AH/SS/HBS	Ilan Dwek	1 st and 2 nd	No	03/11/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - Reading objects, images and documents (face-to-face) 03/11/2026	All	Rhi Smith, MERL	1 st	Yes	03/11/2026	11.00	16.00
RRDP - Introduction to impact (face-to-face) 03/11/2026	All	REIO Impact Team	2 nd and 3 rd	Yes	03/11/2026	10.00	12.00
RRDP - An introduction to LaTeX (face-to-face) 04/11/2026	All	Calvin Smith	1 st and 2 nd	No	04/11/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - Writing job applications for non-academic careers (face-to-face) 04/11/2026	All	Alexander Baker, Careers	2 nd and 3 rd	Yes	04/11/2026	14.00	15.30
RRDP - Writing a data management plan for your research project (face-to-face) 04/11/2026	All	Robert Darby	1 st and 2 nd	No, as available via UoRLearn	04/11/2026	10.00	11.30
RRDP - Writing a trade book proposal (online) 04/11/2026	AH/SS/HBS	Richard Blakemore and Alanna Skuse	All	Yes	04/11/2026	11.00	12.00
RRDP - Storytelling for researchers (face-to-face) 04/11/2026	All	Anna Ploszajski, External	2 nd and 3 rd	Yes	04/11/2026	10.00	16.00
P2T - Preparing to Teach - Parts 1 and 2 (online) 04 & 05/11/2026	All	Angela Buckingham and Jo Cordy, CQSD	All	Yes	04/11/2026 05/11/2026	09.30 09.30	13.00 13.00
P2T - Enhancing classroom interaction and collaboration with University supported TEL tools (online) 05/11/2026	All	Shirin Franklyn and Tara Lehane, CQSD	All	Yes	05/11/2026	14.00	15.00

RRDP - Feeling stressed - Find out ways to manage it (face-to-face) 05/11/2026	All	Alicia Pena Bizama	All	No	05/11/2026	11.00	12.00
RRDP - Presentation skills (face-to-face) 05/11/2026	AH/SS/HBS	Andreas Gavrielatos	1 st and 2 nd	Yes	05/11/2026	10.00	13.00
RRDP - Finding your way (face-to-face) 05/11/2026	All	Members of the Academic Liaison Librarian Team	1 st	No	05/11/2026	14.00	15.30
RRDP - Writing an academic book proposal (online) 06/11/2026	AH/SS/HBS	Richard Blakemore	All	Yes	06/11/2026	14.00	15.00
RRDP - Writing a data management plan for your research project (online) 09/11/2026	All	Robert Darby	1 st and 2 nd	No, as available via UoRLearn	09/11/2026	14.00	15.30
RRDP - Language for research series: Reporting and discussing results (international students only) (face-to-face) 10/11/2026	AH/SS/HBS	Karin Whiteside, ISLI	All	Yes	10/11/2026	10.00	12.00
RRDP - How to write a literature review (face-to-face) 10/11/2026	Sci/Life Sci	Bob Rastall and Sonia Hood	1 st	No	10/11/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - Linux fundamentals Part 1 and 2 (face-to-face) 10 and 17/11/2026	All	Maria Broadbridge	All	Yes	10/11/2026 17/11/2026	13.00 13.00	16.00 16.00
RRDP – NVivo – A basic introduction (online) 11/11/2026	AH/SS	Naomi Flynn	1 st and 2 nd	No	11/11/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - Surviving the viva (face-to-face) 11/11/2026	AH/SS/HBS	Melanie Stockton-Brown	2 nd and 3 rd	No	11/11/2026	11.00	13.00
RRDP - Language for research series: Writing for different audiences (for international students only) (face-to-face) 12/11/2026	All	Karin Whiteside, ISLI	All	Yes	12/11/2026	10.00	12.00
RRDP - Participatory research- Part A: Introduction to participatory research (face-to-face) 12/11/2026	AH/SS/HBS	Grady Walker	All	Yes	12/11/2026	11.30	13.00
RRDP - An essential guide to critical academic writing (online) 13/11/2026	Sci/Life Sci	Mark Dallas	1 st	No	13/11/2026	10.00	11.30

RRDP - Sourcing information for a literature review - information retrieval (face-to-face) 16/11/2026	All	Members of the Academic Liaison Librarian Team	1 st	No	16/11/2026	11.00	13.00
RRDP - How to avoid plagiarism (face-to-face) 17/11/2026	All	Sonia Hood, Study Advice	1 st	Yes	17/11/2026	10.00	12.00
RRDP - How to write a paper (face-to-face) 17/11/2026	Sci/Life Sci	Vitaliy Khutoryanskiy	All	Yes	17/11/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - Qualitative research foundations: Rigour impact and defending your research Part A: Fundamentals of qualitative research *new* (online) 17/11/2026	All	Karen Lumsden, External	All	Yes	17/11/2026	10.00	12.30
RRDP - Beyond instrumentalism: Equity and diversity for doctoral researchers (face-to-face) 18/11/2026	All	Aidan Taylor	All	Yes	18/11/2026	10.00	12.00
RRDP - Endnote (online) 18/11/2026	All	Members of the Academic Liaison Librarian Team	All	Yes	18/11/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - Ethics in research involving humans (online) 18/11/2026	Sci/Life Sci	Sue Todd	1 st	Yes	18/11/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - How to summarise your research project in 3 minutes (face-to-face) 18/11/2026	All	Pin-Te Lin	All	No	18/11/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - Participatory research- Part B: Frameworks, design and analysis (face-to-face) 19/11/2026	AH/SS/HBS	Grady Walker	All	Yes	19/11/2026	11.30	13.00
RRDP - Writing a thesis as a collection of papers (face-to-face) 19/11/2026	Sci/Life Sci	Bob Rastall	All	No	19/11/2026	11.00	13.00
RRDP - Identifying your skills: Stand out in applications & interviews (face-to-face) 19/11/2026	All	Lisa Cranfield, Careers	2 nd and 3 rd	Yes	19/11/2026	14.00	15.30
RRDP - Ways of knowing series. Counting souls: Statistical literacy for qualitative researchers, Parts 1, 2 and 3 (face-to-face) 20 & 27/11/2026 & 02/12/2026	All	Francesco Tamagnini	All	Yes	20/11/2026 27/11/2026 02/12/2026	09.30 13.00 09.30	12.00 15.30 12.00

RRDP - Public engagement with research: An introduction for PhD and early career researchers *new* (face-to-face) 23/11/2026	All	Lisa Lazareck-Asunta, REIO Impact Team	All	Yes	23/11/2026	11.00	13.00
RRDP - Qualitative research foundations: Rigour impact and defending your Research Part B: Quality, rigour and Impact *new* (online) 24/11/2026	All	Karen Lumsden, External	All	Yes	24/11/2026	10.00	12.30
RRDP - Basic statistics refresher (face-to-face) 24/11/2026	Sci/Life Sci	James Gallagher, External	All	Yes	24/11/2026	13.00	17.00
RRDP - Academic interview success (online) 24/11/2026	All	Parveen Yaqoob	2 nd , 3 rd and Final	Yes	24/11/2026	14.00	15.00
RRDP - The ethical use of generative AI in research (face-to-face) 24/11/2026	All	Georgia Koromila, Study Advice and Dominic Lees	All	Yes	24/11/2026	15.00	17.00
RRDP - Introduction to ethnography (face-to-face) 24/11/2026	AH/SS/HBS	David Dobraszczyk	All	Yes	24/11/2026	10.00	12.45
RRDP - Open Access - what Research Council-funded students have to know (not published on RISIS) (face-to-face) 25/11/2026	All (Research Council-funded students only)	Karen Rowlett and Claire Collins	All	No	25/11/2026	10.00	11.30
RRDP - Revisiting impact - Planning beyond the early stages (face-to-face) 25/11/2026	All	Stephen Kemp, External	More than 50% through Phd	Yes	25/11/2026	10.00	12.00
RRDP - Communicating your research: Prepare, publish and promote (face-to-face) 26/11/2026	All	Kirstine Dunhill	All	No	26/11/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - Interview structures and techniques (face-to-face) 26/11/2026	AH/SS/HBS	Sarah Cardey	All	Yes	26/11/2026	11.00	13.00
RRDP - Managing data and research material (face-to-face) 26/11/2026	Sci/Life Sci	Gunter Kuhnle and Robert Darby	All	No, as available via UoRLearn	26/11/2026	14.00	16.00

RRDP - You and your supervisor (face-to-face) 30/11/2026	Sci/Life Sci	Bob Rastall	1st	No	30/11/2026	11.00	13.00
RRDP - Careers: Resume for researchers (R4RI) - What, why and how (face-to-face) 01/12/2026	All	Rachel Lewis, REIO Team	3 rd and 4 th	No, as available via UoRLearn	01/12/2026	10.00	12.00
RRDP - Postgraduate funding: Considering the alternatives - webinar (online) 01/12/2026	All	Luke Blaxill, Grad Funding, External	All	No	01/12/2026	12.00	14.00
RRDP - Introduction to the SciVal research intelligence tool (face-to-face) 01/12/2026	All	Karen Rowlett	2 nd and 3 rd	Yes	01/12/2026	10.00	12.00
RRDP - How to write a literature review (face-to-face) 01/12/2026	AH/SS/HBS	Ed Powell and Richard Blakemore	1 st	No	01/12/2026	10.00	12.00
RRDP - You and your supervisor (face-to-face) 02/12/2026	AH/SS/HBS	Luke Elson	1 st	No	02/12/2026	11.00	13.00
RRDP - Job interviews for non-academic careers (face-to-face) 02/12/2026	All	Lisa Cranfield, Careers	2 nd and 3 rd	Yes	02/12/2026	14.00	15.00
RRDP - Managing your digital researcher profile (face-to-face) 03/12/2026	All	Karen Rowlett and Claire Collins	2 nd and 3 rd	Yes	03/12/2026	10.00	11.30
RRDP - How to summarise your research project in 3 minutes (online) 03/12/2026	All	Pin-Te Lin	All	No	03/12/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - Writing up your data analysis (face-to-face) 03/12/2026	Sci/Life Sci	Alessandro Leidi, External	All	Yes	03/12/2026	09.00	13.00
RRDP - Sourcing information for a literature review - information retrieval (online) 03/12/2026	All	Members of the Academic Liaison Librarian Team	1 st	No	03/12/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - Writing a data management plan for your research project (face-to-face) 03/12/2026	All	Robert Darby	1 st and 2 nd	No, as available via UoRLearn	03/12/2026	10.00	11.30
RRDP - Introduction to bibliometrics (face-to-face) 08/12/2026	All	Karen Rowlett	All	No, as available via UoRLearn	08/12/2026	14.00	16.00

RRDP - Influencing policy with your research: an introduction for PhD and Early Career Researchers *new* (face-to-face) 08/12/2026	All	Lisa Lazareck-Asunta, REIO Impact Team	All	Yes	08/12/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - Writing a data management plan for your research project (online) 09/12/2026	All	Robert Darby	1 st and 2 nd	No, as available via UoRLearn	09/12/2026	10.00	11.30
RRDP - Ways of knowing series. Quantitative methods: basic statistics Parts 1 and 2 (face-to-face) 09 & 16/12/2026	All	Francesco Tamagnini	All	Yes	09/12/2026 16/12/2026	11.00 11.00	13.00 13.00
RRDP - How to write a thesis – getting started (face-to-face) 09/12/2026	AH	Catriona McAllister	1 st	No	09/12/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - Managing your research project (online) 09/12/2026	Sci/Life Sci	Anisha Wijeyesekera	1 st and 2 nd	Yes	09/12/2026	14.00	16.00
RRDP - LinkedIn: Building your profile, network & communicating your value (face-to-face) 10/12/2026	All	Nicky Norminton, Careers	All	Yes	10/12/2026	11.00	12.00
RRDP - Ethics in research (face-to-face) 10/12/2026	AH/SS/HBS	Sophie Blackburn	1 st	Yes	10/12/2026	14.00	16.00
Social - Christmas Party for doctoral researchers (face-to-face) 15/12/2026	All	Various	All	No	15/12/2026	16.30	18.30
RRDP - Writing a Doctoral Thesis: Structure and genre-specific language features (open to all doctoral researchers) Parts 1 and 2 (online) 17 and 18/12/2026	All	Karin Whiteside, ISLI	All	Yes	17/12/2026 18/12/2026	09.00 09.00	12.00 12.00