### Monday 2 October

**Welcome to Newcastle University**  
Welcome from the Dean of Postgraduate Studies, Prof. John Kirby. An explanation of the Faculty and University providing important orientation for students new to Newcastle University.  
10.00-11.00 / MED L2.8, 2nd Floor Leech Building  
Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/welcome

**Introduction to Library Facilities**  
Recommended for all students new to the University this session. Explains the many services offered by the Library.  
12.00-12.30 or 14.00-14.30 / Walton Library, 5th Floor Catherine Cookson Building  
Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/library

**Research Student Reception**  
A presentation by two of the Faculty's leading academics and a chance to meet new and current postgraduates along with academic and support staff. Talks are followed by drinks in the foyer.  
16.00-18.00 / David Shaw Lecture Theatre, Ground Floor Medical School  
Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/reception

### Tuesday 3 October

**Research Ethics – Theory**  
A theoretical backdrop for the consideration of ethics in bioscience research.  
*Mandatory for students new to Newcastle. Former Newcastle MRes students need not attend.*  
10.00-11.30 / FMS Graduate Training Suite, MG207 Catherine Cookson Building  
Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/ethicstheory

**Research Ethics – Application**  
Practical advice on getting ethical approval for a research study. Research students requiring ethical approval should attend. Those with approval arranged are advised to attend to improve their understanding of these requirements.  
11.30-12.00 / FMS Graduate Training Suite, MG207 Catherine Cookson Building  
Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/ethicsapplication

### Wednesday 4 October

**Managing Your PhD/MPhil/MD – An essential guide**  
All the essential information you need when starting your research degree. The first hour covers topics common to all research students. In the second hour you will be split into groups according to your circumstances.  
Today's session is aimed principally at students **new** to Newcastle, **former MRes** students and **MD** students. There is another session on 10 October aimed at **part time/staff** candidates and **Applied Health** students (see below). You should attend the session most appropriate to your situation. If this is not possible, please attend the other session.  
*All first-year research students must attend one of the ‘Managing Your...’ sessions.*  
13.00-15.00 / convene in Lecture Theatre 1.63, Ridley Building 2  
Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/managing

**ePortfolio and Personal Development Planning**  
Practical advice on using e-Portfolio and getting the most from your personal development planning. There are two opportunities to attend this session today.  
*Mandatory for students new to Newcastle. Former Newcastle Masters students need not attend.*  
12.00-13.00 or 13.00-14.00 / DENE Cluster, 5th Floor Catherine Cookson Building  
Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/eportfolio
Health and Safety Requirements for Research Students

A rundown of basic safety procedures and responsibilities in the University.

Mandatory for students new to Newcastle. Former Newcastle Masters students need not attend.

13.00-15.00 / Dental Lecture Theatre F, Ground Floor Medical School

Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/safety

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Chemical Safety

Provides information on COSHH regulations and assessing and controlling risk, plus advice on emergency procedures/first aid measures for fluorides, phenol and cyanide.

Mandatory for researchers working with chemicals. If this date is not convenient for you, there are several other opportunities to attend this session throughout the year. See workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/chemsafety.

15.00-17.00 / Dental Lecture Theatre F, Ground Floor Medical School

Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/chemsafety

Biological and Genetic Modification Safety

Covers the safe handling of genetically modified organisms (GMO) plus essential advice on minimising risks.

Mandatory for researchers working with biological agents. If this date is not convenient for you, there are several other opportunities to attend this session throughout the year. See workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/biosafety.

14.00-17.00 / Dental Lecture Theatre C, Ground Floor Medical School

Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/biosafety

Recording your research (Lab books, research diaries, etc.)

A discussion of three aspects of recording research methods and dates: The conventional lab book, recording in a clinical setting and the recording of electronic data. The interplay between these methods is considered.

Mandatory for students new to Newcastle. Former Newcastle Masters students need not attend.

14.00-17.00 / FMS Graduate Training Suite, MG207 Catherine Cookson Building

Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/recording

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Research Institute Inductions

In addition to the sessions above, each research institute organises its own induction activities. At the time of writing, the following have been confirmed:

Institute for Cell and Molecular Biosciences (ICaMB)
Friday 29 September / 13.30-15.30 / MED L2.8, 2nd Floor Leech Building

Institute of Neuroscience (IoN)
Thursday 5 October / 10.00-11.00 / Colin Ingram Seminar Room, Henry Wellcome Building

Institute of Cellular Medicine (ICM)
Wednesday 11 October / 13.30-15.30 / Seminar Room, Baddiley-Clark Building

Institute of Genetic Medicine (IGM)
Wednesday 11 October / 11.00-13.00 / Lecture Theatre, Ground Floor, Biomedicine West Wing, Centre for Life

Institute for Health and Society (IHS)
Monday 16 October / 10.00-12.00 / Room 2.48 Baddiley-Clark Building