Induction for all FMS Postgraduate 2020-21 starters will take place via Zoom.

Zoom is free software downloadable at: zoom.us

It is most important for all new PhD, MD and MPhil students to attend all sessions on 8th October which will cover essential information for starting your degree. Most vital is the session, ‘Managing your PhD/MPhil/MD’.

**Personal Safety Packs for PGR students**

Safety packs are available for all PGR students from 7th September 2020. Packs include a digital thermometer, face covering and hand sanitiser. Packs are available to collect Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdays during September between 10:00 – 13:00 at any of the sites below:

- CAV, Reception, Edwardson / Biogerontology - (Chloe Gray - ext 81302)
- Centre for Life, Boardroom, 2nd floor, West Wing (Lisa Hodgson - 01912418616)
- Leech Building, 4th floor, M4.134 (Claire Kolenda - ext 85106)
- Cookson Building 2nd -4th Floor (Peter Banks – ext 84963)
- Henry Wellcome Building and Cookson Building Ground Floor (Richard Warhurst – ext 86979)
- Paul O'Gorman Building Reception (Claire Hutton - ext 84470)
- Herschel Building Reception (Claire Hutton- ext 84470)
- Baddiley-Clark Building, CBCB Reception (Tom Fletcher – ext 83229)

You will need your university smart card for collection.

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**Wednesday 7 October**

**Research Ethics - Theory**

A theoretical backdrop for the consideration of ethics in bioscience research and the implications for professionals working in bioscience, medicine and health sciences.

Time: 10:00-11:30 Via Zoom Book at: [https://workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/ethicstheory/](https://workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/ethicstheory/)

**ePortfolio and Personal Development Planning**

Practical advice on using e-Portfolio and getting the most from your personal development planning.

Time: 12:00-13:00 Via Zoom Book at: [workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/eportfolio/](http://workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/eportfolio/)
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.
Time: 10:00-11:00           More information: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/welcome/

Introduction to PGR Development Programme and Enterprise Services
The broad range of development opportunities available to all research students are presented, including information on the faculty travel grant and scholarship schemes.
Time: 11:00-11:30           More information: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/InductionResDev/

What support is available for postgraduate research students?
Guidance from the Wellbeing and Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) services, and information on how the Careers service can help you. Introductions from PGR Community Society, NUSU and student-led projects: North East Postgraduate Conference (NEPG) and {react} science magazine.
Time: 12:00-13:00 More information at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/wellbeingEDI/

Managing your PhD/MPhil – An essential guide  ★
An essential guide to starting your research degree. Taking place as separate sessions for all postgraduate students including New Starters, Part-time and staff candidates and Health Science Students. There will be an introduction by the Associate Dean and then specific information provided for institute colleagues related to the various candidatures.
*A session for MD students will take place 14/10/2020
Time: 14:00-15:30           More information at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/managing/

Library Induction for FMS PGR Students
Recommended for all new starters this session explains the many services offered by the Library.
Time: 10:30-11:00           Via Zoom    Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/library/

Health and Safety Requirements for Research Students
A rundown of basic safety procedures and responsibilities in the University.
Time: 13:00 – 14:30           Via Zoom    Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/safety/
Tuesday 13 October

Teaching Opportunities for Research Students
Considering three aspects of recording research methods and data: The conventional lab book, recording in a clinical setting and the recording of electronic data, this session covers each and the interplay between these methods.

Time: 15:00-16:00  Via Zoom  Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/teachingopportunities/

Wednesday 14 October

Managing your MD
An essential guide to starting your research degree for MD Students.

Time: 11:00-12:00  Via Zoom  Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/managing/

Research Ethics - Theory
A theoretical backdrop for the consideration of ethics in bioscience research and the implications for professionals working in bioscience, medicine and health sciences.

Time: 10:00-11:30  Via Zoom  Book at: https://workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/etheicstheory/

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. *If this date is not convenient for you, there are several other opportunities to attend this session throughout the year (see booking link).*

Time: 15:00-16:30  Via Zoom  Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/chemsafety/

Thursday 16 October

Biological and Genetic Modification Safety
Covers the safe handling of genetically modified organisms (GMO) plus essential advice on minimising risks.

Time: 14:00-16:00  Via Zoom  Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/biosafety/

Tuesday 20 October

Recording your Research (Lab books, Research diaries etc.)
Considering three aspects of recording research methods and data: The conventional lab book, recording in a clinical setting and the recording of electronic data, this session covers each and the interplay between these methods.

Time: 15:00-16:00  Via Zoom  Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/recording/
Non Medline Library Databases  An introduction to a variety of databases such as Scopus, Web of Knowledge, CINAHL and saving references.
Date: 14th October
Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/nonmedline/

Finding the right help with statistics and planning experiments This session will consider a number of quantitative analysis tools available for researchers and help to identify where sources of help are available.
Date: 16th October
Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/into-stats-considerations-research/

Medline This session will help you understand the structure of Medline and how to use it well.
Date: 30th October
Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/medline/

Academic Integrity & Plagiarism In this interactive session aspects of academic integrity including data manipulation and reproducibility will be covered
Date: 12th November
Book at: workshops.ncl.ac.uk/fms/integrity/

NU Workplace Essentials
Online induction for working on university campus includes GDPR, Fire Safety, Equality and Diversity, Unconscious Bias and Mental Health & Wellbeing awareness training. Available via Campus the University’s Virtual Learning Environment.
Online at: https://ncl.instructure.com/courses/30993