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Certificate in Research Supervision (CRS)



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Quality of research supervision

CRS complements other assurances of supervisor quality

- **Subject expertise**
- **Research active admission**
- **Supervisory load**
- **Supervision experience registration**

via checks at

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- **Supervision teams**

stages

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Professional

Creative

Vocational

Aims of the CRS

- To enable staff to fulfil the role of [supervisor](#) and/or [internal examiner](#) effectively.
- To familiarise supervisors with research degree [regulations](#) and procedures at DMU.
- To identify issues on the [national agenda](#) affecting PGR students and their supervision.
- To enhance [teaching skills](#) related to the supervision role.
- To provide information about, and insights into, the [viva process](#).

All **new** supervisors must complete the

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new to role as supervisor

new to DMU

All **current** supervisors must complete the

■ **CRS 'Update'**

Courses and attendances

The CRS programme was delivered 6 times during 2006-2007 year.

Attendance during September 2006 – May 2007

(Figures in brackets are for 2005-2006)

Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Completed Certificate
69 (99)	84 (88)	81 (76)	78 (67)

Each session scheduled for 3 hours

An introduction to the role/skills required

Research on supervision and supporting students

Communication skills for supervision sessions

Case studies to address real situations

Research degree regulations and procedures

Background & context

Brief background to PhD & MPhil

DMU research degree regulations & procedures

Admission & enrolment

The supervision team

Registration

Training Needs Analysis

Role of the committees & devolved powers

Support structures

The Research Office & Faculty post-graduate/research offices

The Research Training Programme for students

Monitoring progress

Monitoring & day-to-day supervision

Transfer from MPhil to PhD

Modes of study, interruption, termination etc

Completion and examination

Thesis writing & writing up period

Examinations

Video of a viva

CRS Update

'Sharing Good Practice'



Update

Recent initiatives at DMU
Implications of the initiatives
Changes at national level



Feedback

sharing good practice

CRS Refresher delivery

The CRS Refresher was delivered 5 times during 2006-2007.

Attendance: CRS Refresher ‘Sharing Good Practice’ sessions

Date of session	09/02/07	06/03/07	16/04/07	21/05/07	13/06/07
No of Attendees	18	19	7	16	15

Each session scheduled for 2 hours

Poster viewing in groups

- Personal Development Planning
- Research Training Programme
- Training Needs Analysis
- Student Life Cycle
- Monitoring progress

Questions on and discussion of new initiatives

Peer support and sharing good practice



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