

Faculty Focus Event “Postgraduate Students” 11 November 2016



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Faculty Focus Overview

“Postgraduate Students”

- Welcome – 2nd Faculty Focus Event
- Focus for today – Postgraduate Students
- Change in style for today’s event
- Opportunity for questions, discussion, input

We will hear from:

- 3 of our best PhD students – Conor, Judith and Jamie
- Panel of staff and students “Supporting Student Experience”
- Panel of staff on “Growing our PG Community”

Have You Heard?



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Postgraduate Taught Experience Survey (PTES) 2016

Overall Satisfaction with the Quality of the Course

UK HEI Sector	Russell Group	Queen's	AHSS Faculty
82.6%	82.6%	84.2%	86.6%



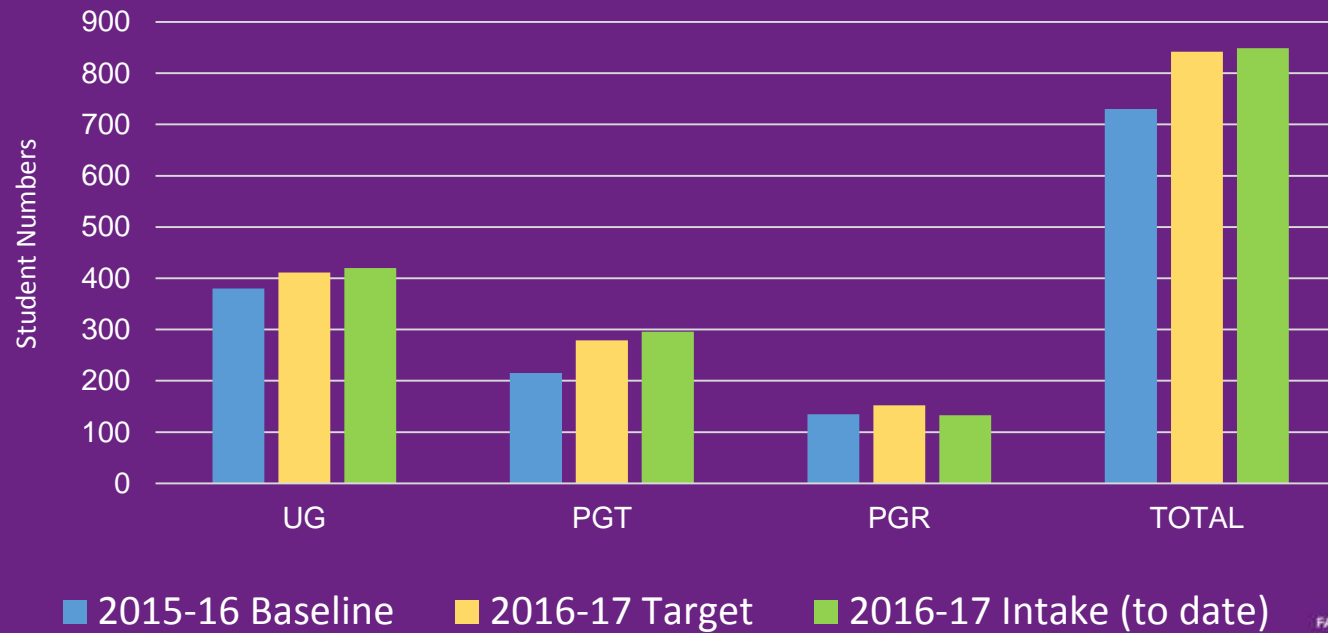
Areas for further development:

- Assessment and feedback
- Careers planning
- Support for dissertations

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- 25% increase in international student recruitment since last year
- We have exceeded our stretch targets by 1%!

International Student Recruitment 2016-17



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RESULTS

STAFF SURVEY 2016





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AHSS Postgraduate population

- Where are we now?
- How are we doing this year?
- What's our ambition?

	2015-16 Baseline	2016-17 (to date)	2020-21 Target
PGT	1,252	1,249	2,060
PGR	427	413	597
TOTAL PG	1,679	1,662	3,203



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The Student Experience

Michael Alcorn (Chair)

Conor Campbell

Judith Weimers

Jamie Pow

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Supporting our Postgraduate Experience

Muiris MacCarthaigh (Chair)

Jamie Pow

Michael Alcorn

Joanne Graham

Kathy Higgins

NINE DTP

Northern Ireland and North East Doctoral Training Partnership

Academic Director: Jannette Elwood, School of SSESW

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Overview

- What is NINE?
- Pathways involved (Schools within AHSS and ESP)
- Studentship competition
- Key dates
- Contacts

NINE

- ESRC funded Doctoral Training Programme
- 7 partners – QUB and University of Newcastle, Durham University, Ulster University, University of Northumbria, University of Sunderland and Teesside University
- Delivering PG social science training
- Running for 6 years (first intake 2017/18)
- 50 fully-funded PG awards commencing Oct 2017
- Collaboration with non academic partners – internships etc.

Schools Involved – QUB Training Pathways

Training Pathways in NINEDTP	NU	DU	QUB	UU	UNN	SU	TU
Anthropology							
Economic and Social History							
Education							
Environmental Planning							
Human Geography							
Language based Area Studies							
Law							
Linguistics							
Management, Business and Economics							
Politics and International Relations							
Psychology							
Sociology, Social Policy and Social Work							
Thematic Pathways							
Children, Youth and Families							
Conflict, Security and Justice							
Health, Well-Being and Society							
Media and Society							

Studentship Competition

- Open competition
- 5 DfE Studentships (minimum)
- Offers full tuition fee waiver /tax free maintenance grant/ access to research training support funding
- Eligibility – all home and EU based candidates
- Types of studentship
 - +3 years for students who have completed a masters
 - 1+3 years for students who have not yet completed a masters
 - +3.5 years for students who have completed a masters but lack the required core social science research methods training

Key Dates

- Competition Launch: **9 November 2016**
- Competition Closes: **16 January 2017 5PM**
- Review of nominations by Schools and Pathway Teams: **31 Jan – 17 Feb 2017**
- Submission of final nominations to DTP: **20 Feb 2017**
- Announcement of successful candidates: **22 March 2017**

Key Dates – contd.

- **Application Masterclass – Monday 28 November 2016**

To provide a step by step guide for students on the application process and how to maximise their chances of a successful application
- **Pathway Lead Workshop – Wednesday 30 November 2016**

To provide guidance surrounding best practice for scrutiny panels

Key Contacts

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Growing our Postgraduate Community

Adrienne Scullion (Chair)

Kara Bailie

Michael Alcorn

Jannette Elwood

Sonya Kerr

Julie Norman

DfE Studentships for 2017-18

Leverage Awards

Studentship Area	Commitment
CSIT	8
Northern Bridge BGP*	5
EPSRC CDT*	6
ESRC DTP*	5
Leverhulme (LINCS)*	5
Wrightbus	1
Wellcome Trust	1
TOTAL	31

DfE Studentships for 2017-18

Global Challenge Awards

AHSS	Awards	EPS	Awards	MHLS	Awards
Mitchell Institute	10	ECIT 2	8	Global Food Security	9
Risk & Inequality	3	Energy	7	Health Sciences	18
Evidence & Social Innovation	8	I - AMS	2	Match PRP	8
		CAIRR	1		
TOTAL	21		18		35



DfE Studentships for 2017-18

Total Awards

(excluding Leverage Awards)

	AHSS	EPS	MHLS
Global Challenge Awards	21	18	36
Disciplinary Awards	28	28	19
International Awards*	(2)	(4)	(3)
Total	49	46	55

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Next Steps

***** Please leave your post-its on the table *****

**Directors of Graduate Studies meeting – Tuesday
PG Forum meeting – Friday
Faculty Executive Board - next Monday**

Save the Date: PGR Information Day – Tues 29 Nov

**Ideas for future Faculty Focus Events??
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