

## ONLINE SKILLS DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES

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NILE is the University's online learning system and can be accessed through the student and staff portals on the website. The Graduate School's course site on NILE for research students (and other researchers) at the University is *RES001: Researcher Development*. Research students should automatically be enrolled onto *RES001* at Induction so, after logging in, *RES001 Researcher Development* should appear in your 'My Sites' area. If you have problems accessing *RES001* then please contact [simone.apel@northampton.ac.uk](mailto:simone.apel@northampton.ac.uk).

In *RES001*, under the *online learning modules* button there are *Epigeum* online workshops in research methods, literature review, research integrity and ethics and under the *workshop materials* button you can find slides, videos and other resources from the Research Skills Development Programme. Research Integrity online is a compulsory course for all research students in their first year. Those students who require ethical approval for their research are also required to complete the online Research Ethics course. Please contact [simone.apel@northampton.ac.uk](mailto:simone.apel@northampton.ac.uk) for more information and guidance on completing these courses.

Learning Development, part of LLS, have a wide variety of academic skills development guides and videos on their NILE site for all students. They offer guidance and tuition on any academic skill, such as academic writing, referencing and presentations and you can book either a one-to-one appointment or a drop-in with a tutor. The link to Learning Development can be found on the top banner as you log into NILE.

*Skills Hub* <http://skillshub.northampton.ac.uk/>

The skills hub is an online resource from the Library and Learning Services team. Videos and articles on academic skills, using the Library, referencing and plagiarism, research methods and employability, sit alongside where to go for support if English isn't your first language, you have additional needs (such as dyslexia and disability support from the ASSIST team) and where to find the academic librarians in your discipline.

A section entitled '*Postgraduate Research Skills*' on the '*Academic Skills*' tab contains some online learning specifically for researchers.

- [Author bibliometrics](#) – examines the key author bibliometrics and their use
- [Journal bibliometrics](#) – explores the use of impact factors and other metrics for ranking journals
- [Journals and articles](#) – addresses your publication strategy, journal types and what makes a 'good' paper
- [Other forms of publishing](#) – covers posters, exhibitions, creative works, website authoring and Open Access publishing
- [Networking](#) – making the most of face to face and online networking with fellow researchers