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RESEARCH E-BULLETIN.

Bringing all the Faculties and Research Institutes research news, events and information







Welcome to the July issue of our Research e-bulletin. The Graduate School are running their last few workshops of this academic year and you'll find further details inside. We've also packed this issue with the latest funding opportunities and calls from the RSB Office to keep you updated over the summer break. Enjoy the sunshine and this issue.

Our monthly e-bulletin will return in October from our new base at Waterside.

Have you got news for us?

Our monthly e-bulletin offers regular updates about funding opportunities, research news and events. Do you have something you'd like to share? Please get in touch by dropping us an email to **rsb@northampton.ac.uk**

Latest Research News.



Knowledge Transfer Partnerships

With funding announced for additional KTP's are you working with partners or on projects that would benefit from a KTP?

KTPs provide a rewarding ongoing collaboration with businesses, enabling identification of new research themes, publication of high quality research papers and contribute to the Research Excellence Framework (Impact Case Study). There are two KTPs currently underway here at Northampton. If you are interested in finding out more on KTP's or engaging with businesses around potential KTPs then please email **charlotte.patrick@northampton.ac.uk**

Grant Funding of up to £20,000 to Help Companies Work with Us

Are you working with a local company who could benefit from £20,000 to explore new ideas? Grants are available from £2,000 to £20,000 to support activities that lead to the development of new products, processes or services. This could be as simple as improving efficiencies and increasing production through streamlining processes, or developing a prototype to introduce something brand new to the market. You could also use the funding to bring in external expertise, such as the University of Northampton, to develop your ideas and take them forward. The deadline for applications is **12 noon on Monday 16th July.** If you are working with a company who might be interested in this, please email **charlotte.patrick@northampton.ac.uk**

RSB Office - Tenders and Contracts Weekly Email

The RSB team are introducing a new weekly email that will focus on current tender and contract opportunities available for funding. The list will be pulled together from the Contracts Finder and Source East Midlands databases with coverage for all the Faculties and Research Institutes. Look out for this in your In box from the start of July.

We always welcome suggestions and should you have any feedback on the weekly email, please contact **rsb@northampton.ac.uk**

Other Faculty News

Dr Jasmine Shadrack, Senior Lecturer in Popular Music from the Faculty of Arts, Science and Technology is authoring her first monologue based on her PhD research through Emerald Publishing. This is the first book of its kind that forges musicology, feminism and trauma research that critically analyses her band performance as catharsis and freedom from PTSD. It is due out early 2019. To keep informed of the book's release, a New Content alert can be set up at **Emerald Publishing**

If you have a research related article you'd like to include in October's issue, please email the team at **rsb@northampton.ac.uk** by Friday, 21st September.

Funding Opportunities.



Every month the RSB team look for funding opportunities that may be of interest to you and we've listed some of the more important ones below. Please click on the links for more information. For quick reference, the Faculties eligible to apply are listed within the brackets.

Co-op Community Dividend Fund (H&S)

The Co-op Community Dividend Fund is inviting applications from local charities, community and voluntary groups based in Central England to apply for grants of up to £5,000. Each year the fund reinvests at least 1% of the Society's profits in local communities to help a wide range of projects across 16 counties, including Northamptonshire. Applicants must have been a Co-operative member for at least six months and their project's postcode must be within a store trading area.

Next deadline for applications is 27th July 2018. Find out more **here The Department for Education - Taking Teaching Further Programme (E&H & FAST)**

This programme will initially run for two years to test how best to encourage and support experienced industry professionals from key sectors into Further Education teaching, full or part-time. A £5 million fund is available to help attract experienced industry professionals and the programme is open to all FE providers in England.

Application deadline for Round 1 is 27th July. Please visit the website

IUK Plastics Innovation: Towards Zero Waste Competition (B&L & FAST)

Through this competition, Innovate UK (IUK) will invest in innovation projects to reduce the harm that plastics do to the environment and increase productivity and growth in the UK economy. IUK has allocated up to £4 million to fund innovation projects in this competition. A project's total costs should be between £50,000 and £1 million and projects must start by 1 December 2018 and end by 31 December 2020. UK-based businesses of any size, academic organisations, charities and RTOs may apply.

Competition deadline is midday, 8th August. Click for more details

IUK Competitions for Transforming Accountancy, Insurance and Legal Services (B&L)

These competitions are part of the Next Generation Services Challenge, created with funding from the Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund (ISCF). IUK is investing up to £12 million in innovation projects to support the application of artificial intelligence (AI) and data technologies. Projects should aim to transform three target sectors, where there is an imminent threat from overseas competition: Accountancy, Insurance and Legal Services. The two strands are Large Consortia projects and Smaller projects.

Deadline for both competitions is 15th August. More information can be found here

Funding Opportunities.



Children with Cancer UK Small Project Grants (H&S)

Children with Cancer UK have issued a Special Grant Call for Small Projects Grants. Funding of up to £50,000 is available for four small projects in the area of Leukaemia and Lymphoma for a duration of 12 months. Proposals should address one or more of the specific research objectives and must be submitted by a UK academic institution (university, hospital or research institute). International collaborations where researchers from a UK institution play a leading role will also be considered.

Deadline for Applications is 31st August. Application details and information on the specific research objectives can be found **here**

ESRC - Alan Turing Institute Joint Fellowship Scheme (FAST)

This Joint Fellowship scheme will support both the theoretical development of data science and its practical application to real world problems. The second joint call will focus on FinTech which can be broadly defined as the application of new digital technologies to the delivery of financial services. Mid-career and senior academics, from an UKRI eligible research organisation (RO) are eligible to apply. Fellows are invited to submit proposals for up to 36 months.

Proposal deadline is 5th September. Further information can be found on the website

The Winston Churchill Memorial Trust - Travel Fellowships (ALL)

The Trust is offering funding for UK citizens to travel anywhere in the world to carry out research projects investigating inspiring practice in other countries to identify new and better ways of tackling a wide range of current challenges facing the UK. Open to all backgrounds, professions, ages and levels of experience, the grants will cover a stay overseas of between 4 to 8 weeks. Up to 150 Fellowships are awarded each year.

Application deadline for travel in 2019 is 18th September. Details can be found here

EEF Photography Competition (FAST)

The theme for this year's EEF Photography Competition is 'Celebrating Everyday Manufacturing' with the challenge being to capture images through engaging and inspiring photography which reflects today's modern UK manufacturing sector. Win a share of the £5,000 prize fund and receive high-profile media exposure with the winning images being displayed at future Manufacturing Award and Conference events. Professional, amateur photographers and young people aged under 20 are eligible to apply.

Entry deadline is 30th September. Visit EEF Competition for more details

The Graduate School Update.



UoN Research Conference

The Graduate School and the Faculties held their first joint conference last week on the 20th and

21st June.

We had over 40 oral presentations from postgraduate researchers and staff from across the University over these two days and displayed around 30 research posters. We also held our second 3-Minute Thesis competition, which was won by postgraduate researcher, Emmanuel Offori-Attah. The main conference was live streamed across the Web over the two days. If you missed it then we have a recording which is available via the **Conference website**. You can also find the programme and abstracts on the website.



Images by Maitreyee Buragohain

Congratulations to all of those who took part in what was a very successful event.

Upcoming Events.



Graduate School Workshops

We are approaching the end of this year's programme but will be running a couple of workshops.

Nvivo intermediate level Workshop

Monday, 9th July from 12-3pm in S137, Sulgrave, Park Campus (Lunch will be provided)

This workshop is intended as a follow on from the introductory workshop and it is an expectation that participants will know the basics of NVivo. It is intended for PhD students and academics who have data that they are about to analyse or have just begun to analyse using NVivo.

Please make sure you bring your own devises with Nvivo installed on it.

Upcoming Events (Continued).



Being a Director of Studies for a postgraduate researcher

Thursday, 19th July from 12-2pm in the Tate Room, Senate, Park Campus

This workshop is for those who are considering becoming a Director of Studies (DoS) for the first time or those who are already a DoS and want an update.

If you are interested in attending these workshops please book on **Gateway** or email **Simone.apel@northampton.ac.uk**

Engaging with Businesses - Industry Forums

The industry forums continue over the summer with a number of smaller site & manufacturing tours, the HR & Logistics Forums take place in early September.

Northamptonshire HR Forum

Thursday, 13th September from 8.30-10.30am

This is a peer to peer forum for those HR practitioners in the sector to share the latest information and best practice. Topics for discussion include GDPR presentation, the BBO Working Progress Project and an update on skills and careers. More event information can be found **here**

If you have any topics that you would like to share with businesses from across the county or would like to take part in these forums please email **charlotte.patrick@northampton.ac.uk**

Faculty Events

As part of the Faculty of Health & Society's Research and Enterprise Implementation Plan, the following development opportunity is being offered to all staff and PGR students. Further details and booking link is included for this event.

Training for Mentors

Wednesday, 11th July from 10am-12 noon

This training session will provide an overview of the role of a mentor and the skills involved in mentoring someone.

If you have any idea for a topic that you would like included in the next academic year's programme please email **FHSResearch@northampton.ac.uk**

Call Announcements.



We've listed a range of funding Calls below, again, click on the link for more information.

EPSRC Healthcare Impact Partnerships Call

Applicants must complete an Intent to Submit form by 12th July. Deadline: 23rd August 2018

https://epsrc.ukri.org/funding/calls/hips201819/

ERC Advanced Grants Calls

Application Deadline: 30th August 2018

https://erc.europa.eu/funding/advanced-grants

ESIF Calls Open in South East Midlands LEP Area Access to Employment and Active Inclusion Project

Application Deadline for both Calls: 7th September 2018

https://www.gov.uk/european-structural-investment-funds

Accelerating CCS Technologies Call

Pre-Proposals Deadline: 12th September 2018

https://www.up2europe.eu/calls/accelerating-ccs-technologies-second-call_3159.html

EPSRC Call for Digital Economy Theme Investigator Led Research Projects

Proposals Deadline, through Je-S: 12th September 2018

https://epsrc.ukri.org/funding/calls/deilrp/

Third Health Programme – First Call Open

Application Deadline: 13th September 2018

https://ec.europa.eu/health/funding/programme_en