

Welcome to the next edition of PsyPAG newsletter designed to keep you up to date with PsyPAG's latest news, activities and support we have available for UK psychology postgraduates.

PsyPAG News

PsyPAG committee members have been very busy over the last few months...

...and here is why...

- We launched a new PsyPAG and DART-P Teaching award recognising important contribution of postgraduates to learning and teaching of psychology (more information in the Bursaries and Awards section)
- We are actively planning anniversary celebrations because PsyPAG will turn 30 next year!
- We are currently trying to get in touch with past committee members to take part in our celebrations and the Alumni Call will be launched soon.

PsyPAG workshops

Systematic reviews in qualitative and quantitative research

17th January, Psychology Department, Oxford Brookes University

This PsyPAG and West Midlands BPS co-funded workshop was a great success! We had two experts leading the workshop: Dr Suzanne Martin, member of the Cochrane Review training team, and Dr Rachel Shaw, the current Chair of the Qualitative Methods in Psychology of BPS. Dr Martin provided a comprehensive summary of what is involved in Cochrane review and encouraged us to think how we can be part of this vibrant community. In the second session, Dr Rachel Shaw led us through the theory as well as practice of synthesising qualitative research. Feedback was overwhelmingly positive. It clearly filled an important gap in training needs of Psychology postgraduates.

Attendees said:

Thank you very much for organising such a worthwhile workshop. I now feel more confident in undertaking systematic reviews.

I feel inspired now to do qualitative systematic reviews!

Sarah Hennelly and Marta Wanat
(workshop organisers)

You can learn more about PsyPAG workshops at <http://www.psypag.co.uk/workshops/>

Next:

We will offer a range of workshops for postgraduate students during our Annual Conference!

If you have an interest in...

Ethics and Internet-mediated research
Qualitative longitudinal design
Ask the Experts: Careers Post PhD

... check our conference website for more details and register!

Annual Conference Update

Our **29th Annual Conference** will be held at Cardiff Metropolitan University from **23rd - 25th July 2014** (put these dates in your diaries!).

Keynote presenters will include:

Professor Paul Bennett
Dr Almuth McDowall
Dr Paul Hutchings
Professor Patrick Leman

Conference organisers prepared an exciting **social events** calendar including a BBQ on the banks of the River Taff and dinner in the Undercroft at Cardiff Castle!

For more details and to register, please visit conference website at <http://www.psypag.co.uk/conference/>



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Quarterly

Voice of psychology postgraduates

We encourage a variety of submissions: especially topics of individual expertise and interviews with professional researchers and psychologists. There is a rolling submission process; for up to date submission deadlines, please get in touch with the editorial team (quarterly@psypag.co.uk).

We are currently in early stages of **archiving past issues** of the Quarterly and we hope to make them all available and searchable. If you have any paper copies of back issues, please get in touch with our editorial team.

The Quarterly is freely distributed to all postgraduate departments in the UK. If your department does not currently receive the Quarterly, please contact us at: info@psypag.co.uk



@PsyPAGQuarterly

We tweet about study tips, research across the whole field of psychology and upcoming events of interest to postgraduates.

Bursaries and Awards

PsyPAG awards a number of bursaries to help psychology postgraduates attend conferences and other events, both at home and abroad.

Further information and application form are available at <http://www.psypag.co.uk/bursaries/>

We award:

Travel Bursaries up to £50

Conference Bursaries

Domestic up to £100

International up to £300

Workshop/training bursaries up to £100

Study visit bursaries up to £200

The deadline for the next round is **10th June!**

PsyPAG also recognises outstanding research at masters and doctoral levels offering:

PsyPAG Masters Award

PsyPAG Rising Researcher Award

NEW! DART-P/PsyPAG Teaching Award

Postgraduate students make an important contribution to learning and teaching of psychology in their institutions. In recognition of this, we welcome applications for the PsyPAG teaching award, sponsored by the Division of Academics, Researchers and Teachers in Psychology (DART-P). Help us celebrate the contribution that postgraduates make to enhancing the learning experience of their students.

Further details on how to apply are available at <http://www.psypag.co.uk/awards/>

Calling all PsyPAG Alumni!

PsyPAG will have its 30th anniversary in 2015 and we have already started planning an interesting programme of celebrations for our 30th Annual Conference.

The current PsyPAG committee feels that we have lost touch with our past representatives and would like to remedy this by inviting you all to get in touch with us and take part in our celebrations. If you would be happy to be interviewed about your career and the path you have taken or would be able to help us recreate PsyPAG Committee family tree, we are keen to hear from you!

So if you know any other PsyPAG Committee Alumni, please encourage them to join our Facebook group, follow us on Twitter and join our Alumni database to receive our annual newsletter and get the chance to network with other alumni!

Get involved

PsyPAG provides support for psychology postgraduates in the UK, acts as a vehicle for communication between them and represents postgraduate students within the British Psychological Society (BPS).

We currently have three vacant roles:

- Consciousness and Experiential Section
- Coaching Psychology Section
- Community Psychology Section

We also have more positions upcoming this July when many of our current representatives will be standing down.

Keep an eye out for all upcoming vacancies and follow us on Facebook and Twitter!

If you would like to get involved or have any questions, please email vicechair@psypag.co.uk for details and an application form.

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