

Research Student Conference - Thanks!

Thanks to all those who contributed to the Conference this year:

- The small army of Catering, Printing, ICT, Estates and Room Booking staff working behind the scenes
- IRO staff, who contributed directly or held the fort back at the office
- The MSc Project Management team who planned the event and collated submissions
- Academic judges and external judges and sponsors
- Research Students – participants from near and far - who shared their knowledge and enthusiasm
- Supervision teams who provided support in advance and during the conference
- Academic & Library staff who ran training sessions for German visiting students
- John Struthers, Head of the Graduate School, host and compère

A big round of applause to you all.

From the Postgrad Research Team

Fiona MacDonald, Postgraduate Research - Recruitment and Progression

Victoria Arkwell, PgR Admin for Schools: Education, HNM, Computing, Science

Margaret Docherty, PgR Admin for Schools: Social Sciences, Engineering, Business, CCI

Communication

The Moodle PhD Info page is a central point for news and discussion for research students and supervisors across the West of Scotland research community, distance learners and European partner institutions.

We will be publishing the brochure of abstracts, papers, posters and some of the filmed presentations.

Looking Ahead

Now that the conference is behind us, we will catch up with admin duties - from new applications to graduation arrangements. We will also be developing strategy and plans for next year, including training and development.

Annual Research Student Conference 2014
List of AWARD WINNERS

Awards were issued to the following students:

First year (Abstracts)

£50 was awarded to:

Science & Technology	Michael Oje, Engineering
Education, Health & Social Sciences	Pamela Scott, HNM
Business & Creative Industries	Robert James Crammond, Business

Second Year (Posters)

£100 was awarded to:

Science & Technology	Samantha Yuille, Science
Education, Health & Social Sciences	Maria Adams, Education
Business & Creative Industries	Muzammal Khan, Business

The judges also want to commend the following:

Science & Technology	Peter Childs, Engineering
Education, Health & Social Sciences	Shaun Robertson, HNM
Business & Creative Industries	Christian Harrison, Business

3rd year (Presentations)

Judges decided to award joint first and second places to:

Joint 1 st (£250)	Laura McGavin, Science
Joint 1 st (£250)	David Child, Engineering
2 nd (£100)	Kieran Mulholland, Engineering

The judges also want to highly commend Alan Jones (Business) and Paul McNeil (Science)

Progression Awards, for outstanding achievement in research studies

The decision was made by Graduate School assessors to award 5 prizes of £300

Science & Technology	Peter Childs, Engineering
Science & Technology	Chao Zhao, Engineering
Education, Health & Social Sciences	Gemma Stevens, Education
Education, Health & Social Sciences	Edward Hockings, Social Sciences
Business & Creative Industries	Christian Harrison, Business

Note: Students will be contacted directly to arrange payment of award and printed certificates

Conference Judges

30 April: Academic Judges (Presentations)

Professor Heather Tarbert, Business School
Professor Austyn Snowden, School of Health, Nursing and Midwifery
Professor John Lockhart, School of Science
Professor Abbas Amira, School of Computing
Collette Haig, Research Fellow

1 May: Guest Judges (Abstracts and Posters)

Robert Cochrane, Ferring Pharmaceuticals
Scott Sinclair, CeeD
Bob Davidson, Renfrewshire Chamber of Commerce
Elaine Thomson, Paisley South Housing Association
Fiona McKenzie, Murgitroyd & Co
Susan Jeffrey, Paisley Museum
Katriona Brooksbank, IRO
Ian Bishop, IRO