

Postgraduate Research Students, University of Galway

National Student Survey

School of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences 2024

Action Plan

		Actions	Responsible	Status
1	Research Infrastructure and Facilities	In light of repurposing of PG common room, ensure adequate access to staff infrastructure (incl. common room) is provided to PGR students.	DoGS + School Administrator	In progress
2	Supervision	Bi-annual briefing to supervisors re best practices, new guidelines etc.	DoGS	Ongoing
3	Research Culture	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Interdisciplinary school seminar series for PGR students Monthly research news update + periodic sharing of tips (grants, personal effectiveness, dissemination) 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> PGR students R&GS 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing Ongoing
4	Progress and Assessment	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Briefing about GRC and viva procedures + initial local induction at the school level. Central page for PhD students with documentation and guidelines. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> DoGS DoGS 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Complete Complete
5	Research Skills	Central page for PhD students with information and policies on Research Integrity.	DoGS	Complete
6	Other Transferable Skills	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Organise and promote workshops targeting transferable skills (e.g. responsible use of AI tools for research) Invite RDC to School Research Day to showcase available training and encourage uptake by postgraduate students 	PGR supported by School	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Ongoing Complete
7	Responsibilities and Supports	Dedicated event at School Research Day + Launch EDI survey for students.	DoGS and Chair Athena SWAN SAT	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> In progress
8	Personal Outlook	-		
9	Development Opportunities	Develop a School policy on responsibilities and guidance on tutorial/demonstration work for postgraduate students.	School Manager and School Executive	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> In progress
10	Motivations	-		
11	Career	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Invite RDC to School Research Day to showcase available training and encourage uptake by postgraduate students (see also 6.) Provide stimulating research environment to support academic careers through e.g. Summer Schools, special research events etc. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> DoGS + DoR DoGS + DoR + Heads of subject 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Complete Ongoing
12	Overall Experience	-		

DoGS = Director of Graduate Studies

DoR = Director of Research

R&GS = Research and Graduate Studies Committee