

**March 2016 edition**

## DTC Summer Conference 2016

Registration is now open for the ESRC Summer Conference. Held on the **13th June and hosted by the Department of Education**, the Summer Conference is your space to network, explore and present.

There are two basic formats for participation in the conference. The first is based on the Three Minute Thesis format (<http://threeminutethesis.org>) - short, snappy presentations on your DPhil, or some part of it, to 'plenary' sessions of the conference.

Parallel sessions will also run through the day. These can be interdisciplinary or methodological in nature and will give participants the chance to give longer presentations, host debates, or invite experts to talk or hold workshops. You are strongly encouraged to convene parallel sessions and apply for funds to host fringe events or invite visiting speakers.

To register for the conference please contact Robin McGahey ([robin.mcgahey@socsci.ox.ac.uk](mailto:robin.mcgahey@socsci.ox.ac.uk)). Please also let them know if you would like to talk at one of the plenary sessions (remembering you will only have three minutes in which to do so!). If you would like to host a parallel session please contact Ben Bradford ([ben.bradford@crim.ox.ac.uk](mailto:ben.bradford@crim.ox.ac.uk)) in the first instance to discuss your ideas.

## ESRC National Conference

The next ESRC National Conference will take place on **16th-17th June 2016**, and will be hosted by the North West DTC. Details about the conference will be available on the [ESRC website](#) in due course.

## Funding guidance reminders

Full funding guidance is regularly updated at <http://researchtraining.socsci.ox.ac.uk/current-students/ressource-and-funding-guidelines>.

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## Training

For information on available training courses, please see the training website at <http://researchtraining.socsci.ox.ac.uk/>.

Don't forget to check the ESRC's National Centre for Research Methods (NCRM) portal at <http://www.ncrm.ac.uk/training/> for training courses available nationally.

## CALL FOR PAPERS: Connected Life 2016: Collective Action and the Internet

The Connected Life 2016 team cordially invites you to submit proposals to participate in our conference at the Oxford Internet Institute (Oxford University), on the **20th and 21st of June**. The deadline is **April 3rd**. Connected Life is student-run, and dedicated to sparking exchange between disciplines and showcasing emerging Internet research. We welcome students and faculty from all universities and departments.

This year's theme is Collective Action and the Internet. The Conference explores how the Internet affects collective action; both in big social movements, such as the Arab Spring and the Hong Kong Protests, and in more everyday forms of collaboration. Beyond submissions on the theme, we warmly welcome any social science topic related to the Internet.

Our call for papers can be found here: <http://connectedlife.oii.ox.ac.uk/2016conference/call-for-papers/>. If you have any questions or wish to get in touch, please contact [connectedlife@oii.ox.ac.uk](mailto:connectedlife@oii.ox.ac.uk) or visit our website: <http://connectedlife.oii.ox.ac.uk>.

We look forward to receiving and reviewing your submissions,

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## Intra DTC Socio-Legal Masterclass

This is an initiative to bring socio-legal students from different DTCs together for a residential course which will take the form of a series of Masterclasses with leading Socio-legal scholars from across the UK. The event will be held from **3rd May to 4th May 2016** at Cumberland Lodge, which is a beautiful former royal hunting lodge in Windsor Great Park. The LSE DTC, QM-Goldsmiths DTC and Cardiff Law School are happy to provide funding for this pilot project and accommodation and food will be paid for. All students need to do is to find the funding for their travel.

The event is open to all DTC students, including those who are not formally on a socio-legal pathway but who are still doing research with a strong social-legal element.

Further details, including the registration form and programme, are attached.