

An invitation to contribute:

Postgraduate study in the United Kingdom: Surviving and succeeding

This will be an edited book written for prospective and current graduate students by a mix of graduate students and those who have recently completed their doctorate. The premise is simple: if you could go back in time and talk with yourself when you began your studies, what advice would you give? Isn't hindsight a bonus? If only I knew then what I know now!

Some possible examples include but are not limited to the following: **aspects of the academic apprenticeship**, e.g. publishing as you write your thesis; networking; auditing or choosing courses to support your study; managing your supervisor; presenting your research (at conferences and seminars); learning how to write; making the most of distance study; **health and wellbeing**, e.g. coping with a baby; having to advocate for specific personal needs; dealing with debt; studying while working full time; staying in a relationship; **cultural concerns**, e.g. being a student from another culture or country; writing your thesis in a second language; respecting the culture in which you research...

This is not an exhaustive list, and please feel free to contact the editors to discuss other possible topics of interest.

This edited text follows a 2014 edition focused on study in Aotearoa New Zealand (McMaster & Murphy, 2014), a successful project currently being replicated in Australia. What will set this book apart from many others on the market is its down-to-earth and practical approach. Furthermore, its originality also lies in the fact that it is grounded in context of Postgraduate studies in the United Kingdom – where you study and work. If, based upon your own experiences of graduate studies, you have some advice to offer that you consider would help other postgraduate students, we would like to talk with you about it. If you are interested in contributing a potential chapter please contact us at the email below with a proposed chapter title and a 300-500 word abstract about your topic. Please specify if you wish to report a research study and the ethical requirements met for that study. Please also supply a little information about yourself in not more than 3 to 5 sentences.

Deadline for submission of interest: December 2nd, 2014

There will be a limited number of places, as we envisage the book will be 18-20 chapters of 3,000-4,000 words each.

Submit your abstract to the editors at: **postgraduk@gmail.com**

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