**Methods of communicating information to MDS PGR students.**

There are several sources of information for MDS PGR students.

**MDS PGR fortnightly newsletter**

This is a weekly newsletter circulated during term-time which is emailed to all MDS PGR students and their supervisors. It is sent to student email accounts so it is important that members of UoB staff link their staff and student emails (IT can help with this).

The email is sent from Niki Windridge, please email her (N.J.Windridge@bham.ac.uk) if you don’t receive this newsletter and she will update her distribution list.

**MDS Graduate School website**

<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/university/colleges/mds/graduate-school/index.aspx>

This website is predominantly an external facing website introducing members of the public to the MDS Graduate School.

**MDS Graduate School intranet**

<https://intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/mds/graduate-school/current-students-information.aspx?securitytoken=W%2fyHI1KAd1AsqL5d2T3Kuu4%2bnsu2eF0X8%2bb0z3CyXkR55IKCI%2fchDIFdKYsVmaU4%2butnbP9I6L0%3d>

This is the site that is possibly most relevant to current MDS PGR students.

It has 5 sections.

Funding opportunities

Advertising any current funding opportunities for PGR students e.g. overseas travel fund.

College Seminar Series

The list of Graduate Lecture Series as well as the school based and discipline specific seminar series.

Information for PGR students

This contains information such as thesis submission procedures and training opportunities. If appropriate, this links through directly to the University Graduate School intranet site to ensure no duplication of information.

Events

This lists the current special events e.g. Research Festival details.

**University Graduate School website**

<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/support/dr/graduate-school.aspx>

this is a single page of basic information regarding the University Graduate School.

The majority of their information is held on their intranet site.

**University Graduate School intranet**

<https://intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/studentservices/graduateschool/index.aspx>

This lists all the resources that are available to PGR students in the University including many training and development opportunities along with information regarding the registration and examination process.

**Face Book Page**

This is an MDS student run initiative which aims to be and informal networking site for MDS PGR students as well as giving latest information about any student run social events.

Join the Birmingham Uni MDS Postgraduates Facebook group at <http://www.facebook.com/groups/160180392134/>