

COMMUNICATION SKILLS FOR RESEARCHERS

In an increasingly competitive and global market, researchers and the institutions they represent need to communicate their research to an international audience.

Without the skills to do this, researchers and research institutions can find themselves at a competitive disadvantage, affecting grant income, international presence and reputation. In recognition of this need, and building on our vision for prosperity for all through internationalised education, the British Council has developed the Researcher Connect professional development course.



800 researchers

I feel that this is very rewarding. Not only as a teacher, but also as a researcher because we really learn how to deliver the key message to our readers and our audience.

Peng Lingling,
vice-dean, the School of English for International Business,
Guangdong University of Foreign Studies, China.

UK culture of research excellence and the Researcher Development Framework

The UK recognises, through the Concordat to Support the Career Development of Researchers, that researcher training and development is essential to maintaining its status as a world leader in research. In response to this, Vitae produced the Researcher Development Framework (RDF) in collaboration with the higher education sector and other stakeholders.

Researcher Connect has been developed with consideration to the RDF, to deliver skills training that will help researchers progress in their career and function at an international level.

Why choose the Researcher Connect

The Researcher Connect approach was formed by our expert development team after many years' analysis and practice of effective communication in multiple cultures around the world. It was created in collaboration with leading academics and piloted in over eight countries worldwide. We are confident that the Researcher Connect approach and resources provide the means for researchers' career development.

Researcher Connect Trainers

Researcher Connect is delivered by a pool of trainers with a wealth of experience of academic engagement and workshop delivery. Our trainers are based at the leading institutions and have up-to-date knowledge of current research publications and conferencing trends. Researcher Connect is also supported by trainers from the British Council Professional Development Centre in Singapore, who offer first-class training services and support for workshops throughout the world.

We currently offer the following short modules:

Foundation

The Foundation Module provides participants with the insights, understanding and tactics to communicate your paper or abstract effectively whatever the situation or context.

Abstracts

The Researcher Connect Abstracts module enables participants to become both critical readers and writers of abstracts through review, specific skills development activities and practice.

· Persuasive proposals

This module enables researchers to write successful proposals; those that are clear, concise and achieve what they are asking for. The insight and techniques gained in Persuasive Proposals are highly transferable to other professional situations such as pitching to investors, networking and even for interviews.

· Presenting with impact

Presenting with Impact focuses on the skills, confidence and know-how to present at international conferences. Participants work on creating and giving clear, effective and relevant (to the audience) presentations about aspects of their research.

Numbers of participants

Workshops are for up to 25 researchers from any discipline (including a mixture of disciplines) and at any stage in their career.

Date	Venue
6 - 8 November 2015	Novotel Bangkok on Siam Square

Rate	Price
Early Bird rate	30,000 THB
Normal rate	35,000 THB

(*Please note that this price excluding an additional 7% VAT)

The price includes:

- Researcher Connect Professional Development training by the world's leading trainers
- Researcher Connect training kit
- Meals covered 3 days of training (2 coffee break and 1 lunch)
- British Council Thailand academic online membership
- · Researcher Connect certificate

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