Opportunities to get involved

Below are some of the ways in which you can put your skills into practice and build strong evidence for your CV. For more information, please contact the Public Engagement with Research Unit at: peru@abdn.ac.uk

**FameLab**: a fast-paced science communication competition; describe a science or technology concept in just 3 minutes to a live audience. The Aberdeen FameLab regional heat takes place in December 2015.

**3 Minute Thesis**: can you describe your PhD research project in just 3 minutes? The 3 Minute Thesis competition challenges you to present your research to an audience in a clear and engaging way. The final of the Aberdeen 3 Minute Thesis competition takes place during the University May Festival (May 2016).

**May Festival**: Join in the University’s flagship annual festival celebrating the University, our community and our world class research. You can take part in a specific event, perhaps even take to the stage in Aberdeen’s research comedy night Bright Club, do some research busking or simply help out in making the festival happen. (May 2016).

**British Science Week**: Be part of a 10 day UK-wide celebration of science, engineering, technology and maths. There are many ways to be involved either in an evening event such as a Pecha Kucha, volunteering as part of ‘Discovery day’ at Aberdeen Science Centre, or through a new venture. British Science week takes place between 11-20 March 2016.

**TechFest**: Taking place in September, TechFest is Aberdeen and the North East Scotland’s annual festival of science, engineering, technology and maths. There are both public and schools programmes with a wide variety of ways in which you can be involved.

**The Conversation**: is an online source of news and views developed by the academic and research communities for a public audience. Develop your communication skills through writing about your research or a related topic.

**Au Magazine**: is a student-led publication produced 3 times a year by the University’s science journalism society. There are 2 ways in which you can take part, through writing an article for one of the issues or by being part of the editorial team, developing your project and budget management skills as well as editing, graphic design skills.
## October 2015
- Meeting of the Qualitative Research Methods Group

## November 2015
- Using NVivo in Qualitative Data Analysis - An Introduction
- Further Analysis in NVivo
- An Introduction to LaTeX
- Intermediate LaTeX Workshop
- Literature Searching –Part 1: Getting Started
- Literature Searching –Part 2: Using Databases
- Literature Searching –Part 3: Managing Your References Using RefWorks
- Three-Day Basic Statistics Course
- Communication and Presentation Skills: Presentation Skills for Non-Native English Speakers
- Communication and Presentation Skills: Exceptional Conference Presentations
- Communication and Presentation Skills: Voice
- CV and Cover Letter Workshop for the Life, Medical and Physical Sciences
- Interview Workshop for the Life, Medical and Physical Sciences

## December 2015
- Engaged Research: Science Communication and STEM Ambassador Induction
- Engaged Research: Famelab Training - Making Good Presentations Great
- Engaged Research: Making an Impact with Social Media
- The Professional Researcher: Planning Your Professional Development

## January 2016
- Engaged Research: Getting Started with the Media

## February 2016
- Critical Appraisal of the Literature for CLSM PhD Students
- Writing Skills: Constructing and Punctuating Sentences for PhD Students
- Writing Skills: Summarising and Paraphrasing for PhD Students

## March 2016
- Using NVivo in Qualitative Data Analysis - An Introduction
- An Introduction to LaTeX
- Intermediate LaTeX Workshop
- Spelling, Paragraph Structure and Developing an Argument for PhD Students
- Present with Power: Conference Presentation Skills
- Communication and Presentation Skills: Presentation Skills for Non-Native English Speakers
- The Professional Researcher: Presenting Your Poster
- The Professional Researcher: Presenting Your Research Visually
- Engaged Research: Science Communication Workshop and STEM Ambassador Induction

## April 2016
- Writing Skills: Drafting, Editing and Proofreading (a workshop for 3rd and 4th year CLSM PhD Students)

## May 2016
- Three-Day Basic Statistics Course

## June 2016
- Further Analysis in NVivo
- Becoming a Professional Researcher: Finish Up and Move On
- Engaged Research: Getting Started with the Media