# Confidence-growing, practice-changing, career-defining



## Two colleagues share their doctoral experiences

An important aspect of the Professional Doctorate is that it facilitates strong synergy between your studies and your professional practice. I was able to develop my ideas and change my practice and that of my colleagues, while achieving my doctorate. The programme's other great strength is its wide range of support mechanisms, which are tailor made for, and match the needs of, busy practitioners. The weekend workshops which brought together an established community of fellow researchers were a particular feature I enjoyed."

## Dr Ian Frame Department of Engineering and the Built Environment

I completed a PhD by Published Work. It was an excellent experience, which I would recommend to anyone. I was bringing together work from the last 10 years through a critical appraisal of 10,000 words, with two great benefits. First, actually doing the appraisal enabled me to see how my work hung together and to plan in ways I had never thought of before for future research and publications. Second, I feel much more secure in my professional identity; I am amazed how much more confidence it has given me.

Dr Zoe Bennett Faculty of Arts, Law and Social Sciences

## Taking the next step

Please speak with your Faculty Director of Research or Deputy Dean responsible for research and your line manager to discuss your opportunity to gain a doctorate while working at Anglia Ruskin University.

#### Faculty Directors/Deputy Deans

- Arts, Law & Social Sciences: Prof Eugene Giddens
- ► Health Social Care & Education: Prof James Hampton-Till
- ► Lord Ashcroft International Business School: Prof Gary Packham
- Science & Technology: Prof Mike Cole

#### Useful links and contacts

For information on studying for a doctorate at Anglia Ruskin University, including application forms and contacts, go to

#### www.anglia.ac.uk/researchstudy

For further guidance on our Staff Fee Waiver Scheme, including help with your application forms, see anglia.ac.uk/hr/staffarea or contact Yvonne Snooks.

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#### **Cambridge Campus**

East Road Cambridge CB1 1PT

### Chelmsford Campus Bishop Hall Lane

Bishop Hall Lane Chelmsford CM1 1S

#### Peterborough Campus

Guild House, Swain Court Oundle Road Peterborough PE2 9PW

## PROFESSIONAL DOCTORATE

Analia Ruskin

Cambridge Chelmsford Peterborough

## MPHIL/PhD

## PhD BY PUBLISHED WORK

# THREE WAYS TO FULFIL YOUR POTENTIAL

**Doctorate opportunities for all staff** 



## Working for you

Obtaining a doctorate is rewarding in a number of practical and personal ways. There is the unique journey itself, which enables specialists to reassess current thinking and practices and, often, rekindles a passion for a subject. There is, of course, the enormous and well-founded sense of achievement. Holding a doctorate also helps those working in an academic environment to gain new skills and enhance their career opportunities. Such gains are, as we see daily, the product of hard work. In particular, we appreciate how challenging it is to study while working. We proactively support colleagues embarking on a doctorate. As this leaflet explains, we offer three programmes and a Staff Fee Waiver Scheme.



**Best wishes** 

Professor Alan Sibbald Deputy Vice Chancellor Research, Scholarship and Development

## Working for us

We are an ambitious and forward-looking University

Colleagues undertaking research or enhancing professional practice help to build our reputation for academic excellence. That is why one of our leading goals is that:

'Every member of academic staff will be engaged in research or current professional practice in their academic discipline.'

Corporate Plan, 2012–14

#### **Doctorate opportunities**

### **Professional Doctorate**

This programme is designed and tailored to meet the needs of experienced professionals and practitioners. Research focuses on a candidate's own professional practice and integrates professional and academic knowledge. Stage 1 involves workshops and seminars on methodology and research design, leading to preparation of papers of up to 21,000 words. Upon successful completion, candidates may progress to Stage 2 and undertake original research resulting in a thesis.

We offer Professional Doctorates in: Business Administration (DBA), Education (EdD), Health and Social Care, Laws, Practical Theology and Science & Technology.

We also offer Professional Masters and a Postgraduate Diploma in Professional Research.

**Entry requirement:** The appropriate professional experience.

#### **Understanding Research Training Programme**

This Chelmsford-based training is for potential research candidates who wish to be considered for entry to the Professional Doctorate programme, but who do not hold a Masters degree or lack research experience. For further information, email research.training@anglia.ac.uk



#### MPhil/PhD

This is the most familiar postgraduate programme, with part-time study taking up to six years. PhD candidates critically investigate and evaluate an approved topic, demonstrating an understanding of relevant research methods and resulting in an independent and original contribution to knowledge. MPhil candidates also critically investigate and evaluate an approved topic, demonstrating an understanding of appropriate research methods.

**MPhil entry requirement:** A First or Upper Second Class honours degree or equivalent, as recognised by Anglia Ruskin University.

**PhD entry requirement:** A Master's degree in an appropriate cognate area, which included training in research and the execution of a research project.

## PhD by Published Work

If your publications or outcomes represent an independent and original contribution to knowledge and show an understanding of research methods appropriate to your field, you can apply to establish a case to submit a thesis for examination.

**Entry requirement:** Candidates need to have been active in research and produced research output of a quality and volume which indicates a significant and coherent contribution to knowledge.

## Staff Fee Waiver Scheme

We encourage staff training and development opportunities. This Scheme, which waives tuition fees on an annual basis, is open to colleagues on contracts of two years or longer and hourly paid lecturers who have worked for Anglia Ruskin University for at least three years continuously. To qualify, you need to successfully apply to undertake one of our programmes of study and meet current Academic Regulations. Staff in regional partner colleges or joint ventures may be eligible for discounted fees.

For further guidance, see the back of this leaflet.