

Developing a supportive policy for postgraduate research students who teach

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Why did we review the PGR teaching policy?

- Concerns from the Centre regarding support at the School level
- ELIR feedback:

'ensure all postgraduate students who teach receive support from their schools for undertaking this role. This would complement the well-regarded training already provided centrally'

- Issues regarding what types of work should be paid
- A need to clarify roles and responsibilities of PGRs vs Academic Staff

How did we approach this review?

- Multiple discussions on existing practice and good practice
- Set up Working Group
- Located and combined all elements of the existing policy
- Defined the postgraduate teaching journey from start to finish
- Developed draft of new policy and templates
- Extensive consultation
- Policy approved



How did we address concerns along the way?

Extensive consultation

- Human Resources
- Critical 'friends'
- Postgraduate representatives
- All Directors of Teaching (x2 consultations)
- All Directors of Postgraduate Studies



Policy on Doctoral Students who Teach

- Scope of duties
- 2. Limits on teaching time
- 3. Selection process
- 4. Initial training
- 5. Ongoing support
- 6. Monitoring performance
- 7. Evaluation by postgraduate teachers

Policy & Templates

