

MONASH ADDICTION RESEARCH CENTRE

MARC PhD Network: Useful resources for PhD students

The MARC PhD Network aims to bring together Monash PhD students from various departments and faculties, who have an interest in or are undertaking addiction-related research. In line with our goal to promote opportunities for our members to participate in courses and trainings, workshops and networking opportunities, we have created a document containing links and resources with a particular focus on addiction-related research. In order to keep this document up to date and relevant to our members, we welcome any feedback or suggestions, which may be forwarded to marc-phdnetwork@monash.edu.

EMAIL SUBSCRIPTIONS

Title	Description	Website address
Government of WA Child and Adolescent Health Services	Research Education Program run monthly webinars on various research topics - join the email list to get information on upcoming webinars	https://www.cahs.health.wa.gov.au/Research/For-researchers/Research-Education-Program
The Victorian Alcohol and Drug Association Inc. (VAADA)	VAADA is an organisation which seeks to reduce alcohol and drug-related harms within the Victorian community. You can subscribe to VADDA e-news to receive latest updates on developments in the AOD sector.	https://www.vaada.org.au/ (see 'sign up for our eNews' at the bottom of the webpage)
Victorian substance use research forum (VSURF)	VSURF is a multidisciplinary forum on contemporary research in AOD.	https://vicsubstanceuseresearchforum.wordpress.com/about-2/

MYDEVELOPMENT COURSES, TRAININGS & WORKSHOPS (ACCESSED VIA MOODLE)

Title	Mode	Description/comments
MGR Online: Word 2016 - creating long documents	Online	Online learning module that takes you through various functions to create a long document in Microsoft word. The modules go through setting up an outline and structure for effective navigation within the document, adding references, footnotes, indexes etc. Highly recommend for those preparing for writing up thesis, business proposals and technical reports. Counts towards 2.5 hours of professional development credit.
SAS: Managing information overload and developing critical thinking	Online	This 2 hour online workshop explores various information management strategies as well as analytical and concept-management tools such as Freemind and Nvivo. This workshop would be most beneficial for those early in the candidature but would also recommend for anyone interested in learning about information management. Counts towards 2 hours of professional development credit.
MNHS: Systematic Literature Searching Techniques	Online	This workshop will allow you to become proficient in using explicit systematic techniques to search the medical literature. Participants will become familiar with relevant standards and guidelines and discover powerful search features to assist you in developing and executing an exhaustive search strategy.
MNHS: Integrating EndNote and Covidence for Systematic Reviews	Online	In this hands-on workshop you will learn how to use the organisational and management functionality of EndNote in conjunction with Covidence to assist you in the conduct and publication of a systematic review in the medical and health sciences.
MNHS: Publishing strategies, open access and copyright	Online	This workshop will equip MNHS researchers with the skills to make informed decisions when deciding where to publish.
MNHS: Maximise Your Citation Metrics and Research Discoverability	Online	This workshop will provide an overview of strategies to assist researchers in MNHS to promote their research and demonstrate impact.
SAS: Intensive Writing Course for Science Communication	Online	The activity is a 10-part writing course designed to teach participants powerful writing skills they can employ in their scientific writing to comprehensively improve writing accuracy, clarity, and impact. Each session teaches a single writing concept which is reinforced by examples and discussion.

MEMBERSHIPS

Title	Cost	Comments/website link
APSAD student membership	Free for full-time or part-time students – see further details on their website	<p>Membership benefits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Online subscription to Drug and Alcohol Review, APSAD e-newsletter - Information regarding mentoring - Discounted registration rate at APSAD and AOD conferences <p>Link: https://www.apsad.org.au/membership/categories#student</p>
International network on health and hepatitis in substance users (INHSU)	Free for full-time students	<p>Membership benefits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Access to professional development opportunities including special interest groups - Subscription to members' newsletter - Discounted registration rates to the Annual Conference and other INHSU events <p>Link: https://www.inhsu.org/about-us/membership</p>
International Society for Pharmacoepidemiology	USD\$85 for full-time students	<p>Membership benefits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Access to ISPE's education content from annual meeting and mid-year symposiums - Networking opportunities with best minds in pharmacoepidemiology, therapeutic risk management and drug safety - Online access to Pharmacoepidemiology and Drug Safety, ISPE's official journal - Registration discounts for ISPE-sponsored meetings <p>Link: https://www.pharmacoepi.org/get-involved/membership-options/</p>

WEBSITES & OTHER RESOURCES

Title	Description	Website address
Monash University library resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research metrics and publishing • Endnote 20 • Link require article 'doi' allowing full text access 	<p>https://guides.lib.monash.edu/research-metrics-publishing/key-tools</p> <p>https://guides.lib.monash.edu/endnote</p> <p>http://dx.doi.org.ezproxy.lib.monash.edu.au</p>
Develop your communication skills in MNHS	This PDF contains a list of useful workshops and training for developing written and oral communication skills for MNHS graduate research students.	https://www.monash.edu/_data/assets/pdf_file/0006/1573098/MNHS-Library-phd-Communication-Skills-Flyer_w-deeplinks.pdf

<p>Monash Addiction Research Centre home page</p>	<p>On this home page, you can learn about MARC's latest research, members and partners of MARC, and MARC news. You can also find a tab to access the latest news in MARC PhD Network.</p>	<p>https://www.monash.edu/medicine/ehcs/marc/home</p>
<p>Useful methodology resources</p>		
<p>Designing and conducting mixed-methods research</p>	<p>Book by John Creswel and Vicki Plano Clark.</p>	
<p>Qualitative Inquiry and Research Design</p>	<p>Book by John Creswell and Cherly Poth.</p>	