WHERE CAN A PGR COURSE TAKE YOU?
There are so many possibilities! Check out our useful links below.

START YOUR RESEARCH
Is a research or academic career for you? What are the pitfalls? What other options might there be? These blogs and links can help you to explore your options:

Researcher Careers
vita.ac.uk/researcher-careers

Early career researchers: career and skills development, UKRI
ukri.org/resources-for-early-career-researchers-and-their-managers/

Research Careers Outside Higher Education.
career-advice.jobs.ac.uk/career-development/research-careers/research-careers-outside-higher-education/

10 Career Paths for PhDs outside Academia (jobs.ac.uk)
s30876.pcdn.co/wp-content/uploads/10-career-paths-for-phds-1.pdf

Explore Your Options Beyond Academia
http://research-careers.org/

Article: How to become an academic researcher (with tips and skills) 2024
uk.indeed.com/career-advice/finding-a-job/how-to-become-academic-researcher

Prospects: information on occupations, employers, jobs, work experience, career choices and application methods in different countries under specific country profiles
prospects.ac.uk

SOCIAL SCIENCE AND HUMANITIES RESEARCH EMPLOYERS
The Society of Archivists
archives.org.uk

The Social Research Association Jobs Board
jobs.the-sra.org.uk/

The Market Research Society (MRS), the UK’s professional body for research, insight and analytics
mrs.org.uk

The Research Buyer’s Guide is MRS’s directory of market research providers
mrs.org.uk/researchbuyersguide

National Centre for Social Research (NatCen) Britain’s largest independent social research agency
natcen.ac.uk

Economist posts in academia, private sector and international organisations
econjobmarket.org/

ACADEMIC AND POSTDOCTORAL VACANCIES
Jobs.ac.uk: the main job-hunting website for research, science, academic and related sectors
jobs.ac.uk

Findapostdoc.com: a large database of post-doctoral job opportunities
www.findapostdoc.com

EURAXESS is a European researchers’ portal
euraxess.ec.europa.eu//jobs/search

Academicjobseu.com: a leading website for academic and research jobs in Europe.
academicjobseu.com/

US Chronicle of HE (equivalent of The Times HE)
www.chronicle.com

Leading source for jobs in academia
higheredjobs.com/default.cfm
STEM RESEARCH EMPLOYERS

The Association of the British Pharmaceutical Industry (ABPI)
careers support for post-docs.
abpi.org.uk/careers/

The Association of Clinical Research jobs board.
careers.acrnet.org/jobs/

ENDS Report contains listings of environmental consultants and a
job site.
https://www.endsreport.com/jobs/all-jobs

Jobs in Environmental Preservation, Research and Natural
Sciences related work.
www.nature.com/naturecareers

Naturenet’s ‘who’s who’ listing of organisations, including wildlife
and environmental protection agencies.
naturenet.net/orgs/

New Scientist’s jobs portal.
jobs.newscientist.com/en-gb/

A worldwide science networking site.
researchgate.net

Science.org online journal.
science.org/careers

Covers all engineering specialisms.
jobs.theengineer.co.uk/

Information about – and list of – member organisations of the
United Kingdom Science Park Association
ukspa.org.uk

WHAT TO DO NEXT

▪ Book a Careers Guidance (Faculty) appointment with
your faculty careers consultant to discuss your future plans.
▪ Book a Postgraduate Study Application Support
appointment with an adviser for support with your
applications.
▪ Update your CV and LinkedIn profile and get them
reviewed by one of our employability experts.
▪ Speak with academic staff in your department who may
have advice and contacts at other research institutions.
▪ Refresh your skills by attending one of our workshops –
bookings are available via CareerHub.
▪ We run workshops on CVs, Applications, Interviews and
LinkedIn throughout term time.

FURTHER SUPPORT

For more information, advice and support with CVs, email
careersinfo@essex.ac.uk or visit careerhub.essex.ac.uk to
book an event or 1-1 appointment.