

Quadrivium VI: Medieval Futures

Research Training Event for Doctoral Students

November 4th - 5th , Queen's University, Belfast

Thursday, 4th November

*All sessions will be held in the Seminar Room, Post-Graduate Research Centre,
18, College Green unless otherwise stated*

12.30 - 14.00: Registration and lunch (provided)

14.00 - 14.10: Welcome **Professor John Thompson** (Queen's University, Belfast)

14.10 - 15.30: Introduction to the PhD: A Student's Perspective

*Convener: **Professor Jeremy Smith** (University of Glasgow)*

- **Paul Murphy** (QUB): Transition from MA to PhD
- **Theresa O'Byrne** (QUB): An international student's perspective
- Group discussion: students' research interests and any initial issues or queries.

15.30 - 15.45: Tea and Coffee

15.45 - 17.30: The Future of the Book

- **Dr. Stephen Kelly** (QUB) 'Digital Transformations': Medieval books and Modern electronic media
- **Dr. Orietta DaRold** (University of Leicester): Project e-book
- **Deirdre Wildy** (Senior Subject Librarian, QUB Library): Behind the scenes in the library archive, followed by a tour of The McClay Library.

17.30 - 18.30: Performing the Past: Drama Session

- **Eamon Byers and Paul Murphy** (QUB)

18.30 - 19.30: Drinks reception (Post-Graduate Centre)

20.00: Symposium Dinner (Dukes at Queen's)

Friday, 5th November

9.00 - 10.00: Future Authors: Publications and Journals

- **Simon Forde** (Brepols Publishing): A Publisher's Guide to getting Published
- **Dr. Ian Johnson** (University of St. Andrews): Publishing in Academic Journals

10.00 - 10.15: Tea and Coffee

10.15 - 11.30: Future Survival

- **Professor Wendy Scase** (University of Birmingham): Bad Academic Behaviour
- **Dr Ryan Perry** (QUB:) Conference Organisation and Funding Opportunities

11.30 - 13.00: Future Success: Open discussion Seminar about current careers prospects

Convener: **Professor John Thompson** (QUB)

- **Dr. Shona Johnston** (Senior Careers Adviser for PGR students, QUB)
 - Career opportunities: academic and non-academic
 - Where and when to look for jobs
 - Marketing your PhD

13.00 - 14.00: Lunch (provided)

14.00 - 15.30: Thesis upgrade, Viva and Beyond

- **Eamon Byers** (QUB): Preparing for Thesis upgrade
- **Dr. Daniel McCann** (QUB): Surviving the Viva
- **Professor John Thompson** (QUB): Post PhD Academic Life
- Questions

15.30 - 16.00: Completion and collection of questionnaire, closing address

16.00-17.30: Medieval Cultures Quadrivium Special (Held in House 4, University Square, Rm 105)

Professor Joel Fredell (Southeastern Louisiana University): "The Green Knight in York: the provenance of Cotton Nero A.x".