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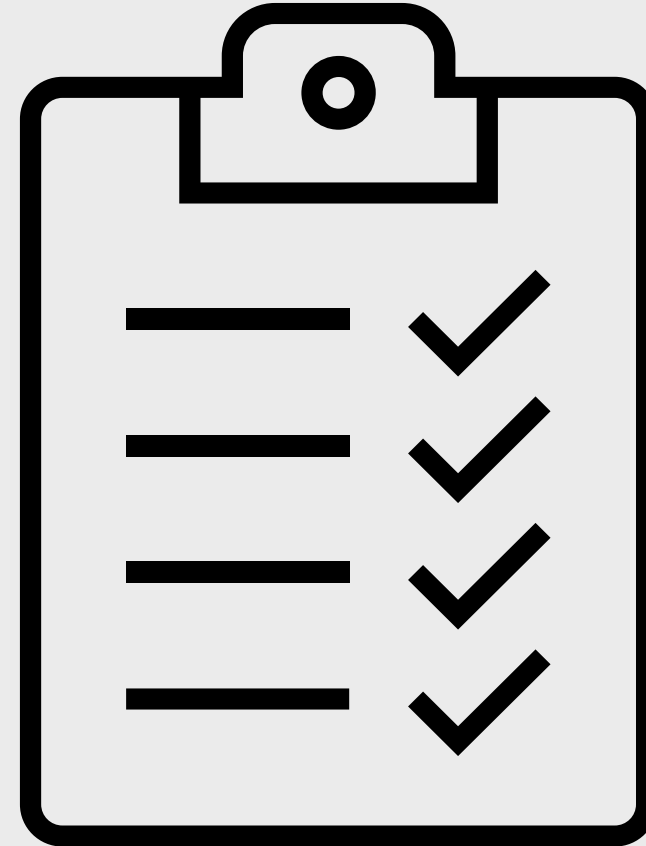
# **The Supervisor Hub: A Model for Supporting Research Supervisors**

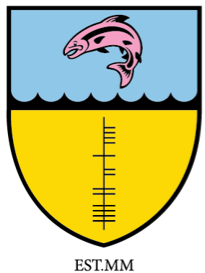
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14th November 2023  
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# Presentation Outline

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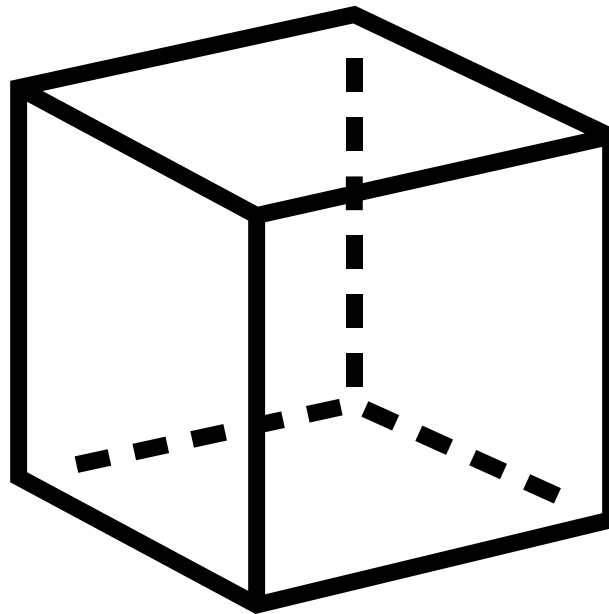
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# Research Context

# Course Structure

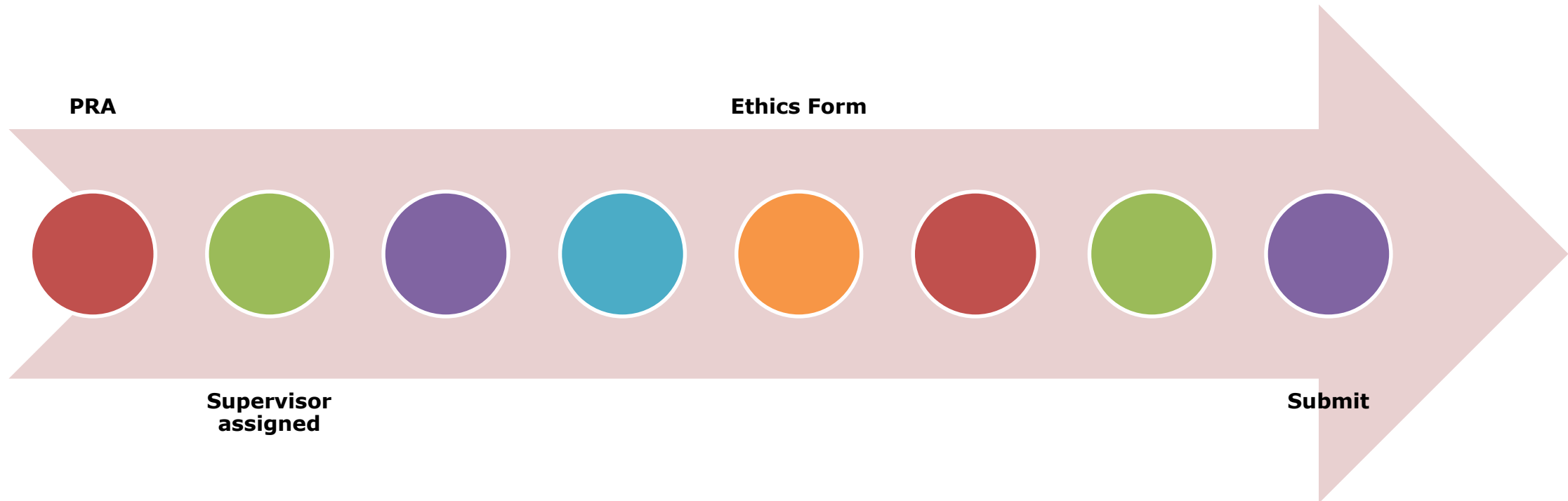
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- Hibernia College is a nationally recognised leader in teacher education.
- The PME in Post-Primary Education is a 120-credit award at Level 9 on the National Framework of Qualifications (NFQ).
- The programme is delivered over 24 months using a blend of interactive online content and face-to-face instruction (45% online, 55% face-to-face).



# Research Module Summary

- A small-scale professional dissertation that investigates a curriculum topic to gather data and to draw research conclusions (10,000-word dissertation)
- Preliminary research approval form (PRA)
- Ethics approval form





# Research Pillars



**Teaching,  
Learning and  
Assessment**



**Digital Literacy  
& Learning  
Technologies**



**Inclusive  
Education**



**Global  
Citizenship,  
Sustainability  
& Wellbeing**

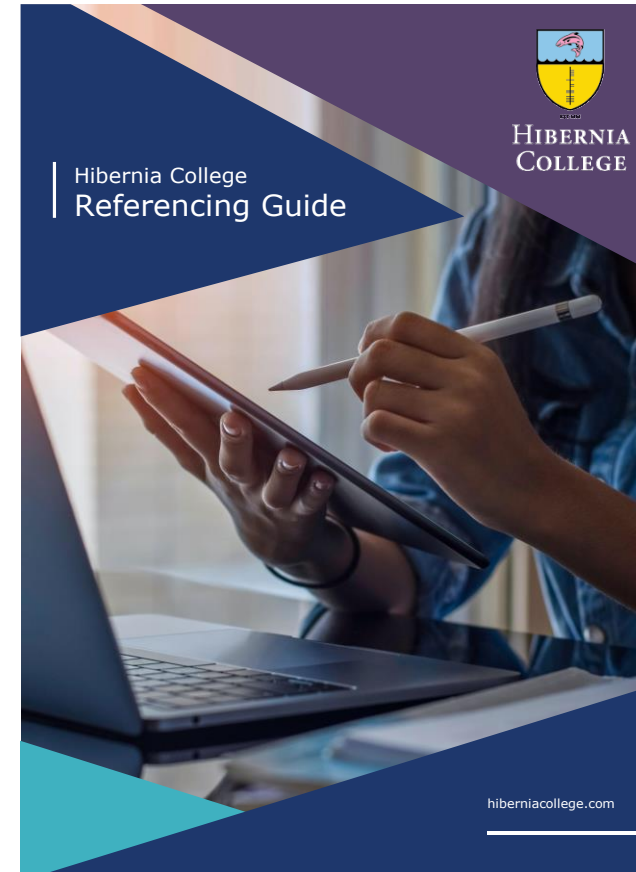
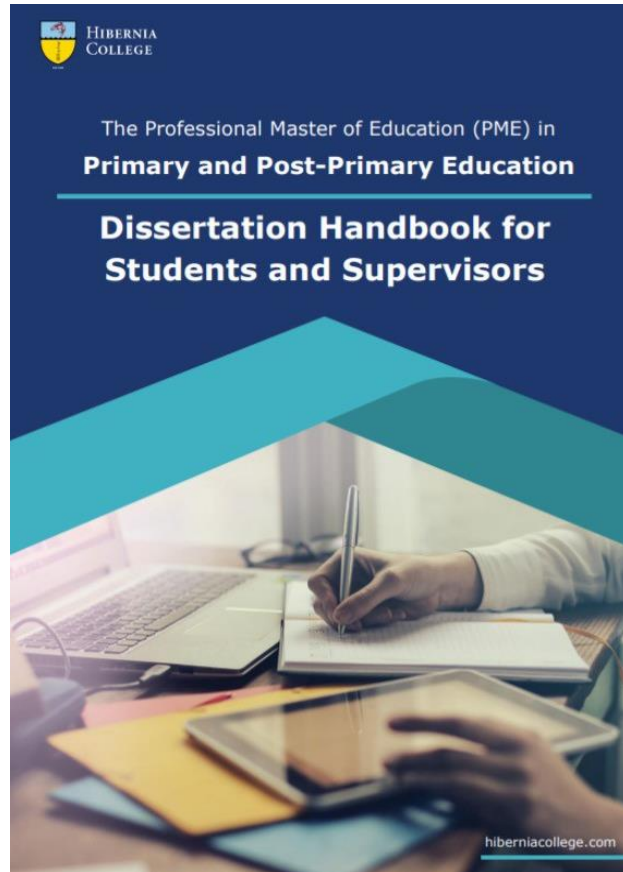


# Module Supports

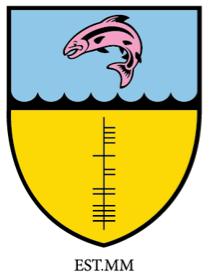


# Research Module Supports

- Handbook & referencing guide
- Academic writing toolkit course
- Personal research supervisor







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# The Research Supervisor

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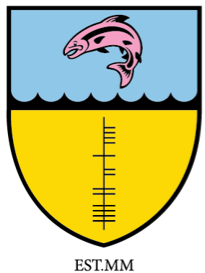
Part time role at Hibernia College.

Many work across PMEPP & PMEP Programmes

Wide range of research experiences.

Issue - navigating multiple VLE sites & sections. Time spent on this instead of student communication.





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# The Process

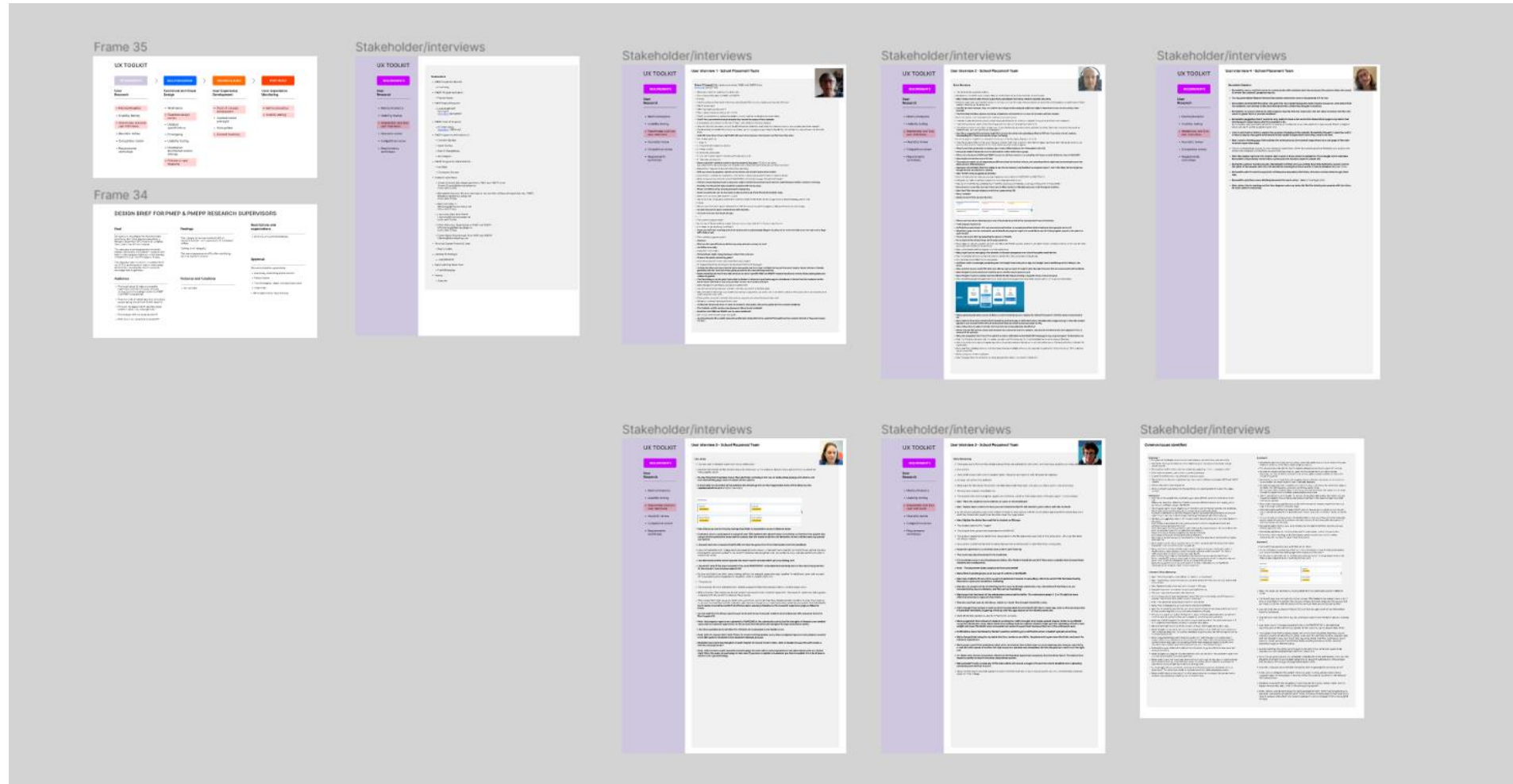
# The Process



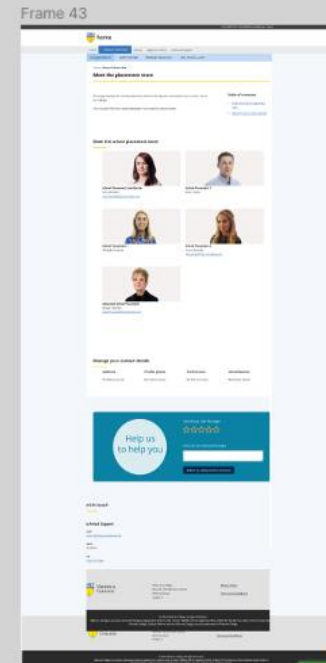
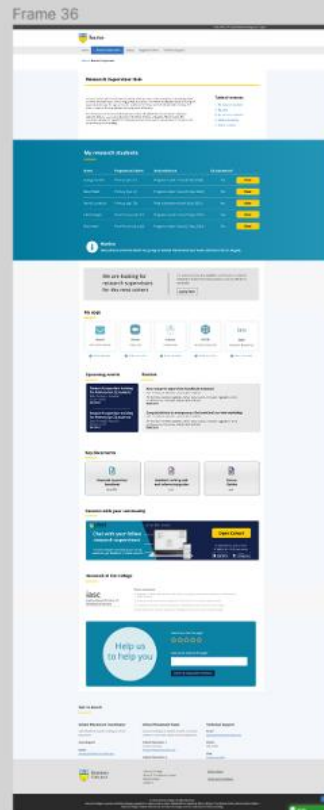
- John Lenehan - Research & Development Lead - Digital Learning Department.
- Followed the UX Process - Involved the end users.
- Looked at existing systems in place, VLEs etc.

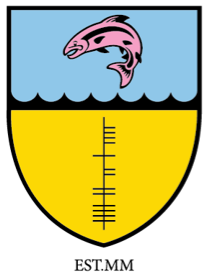


# Interviews



# Prototypes



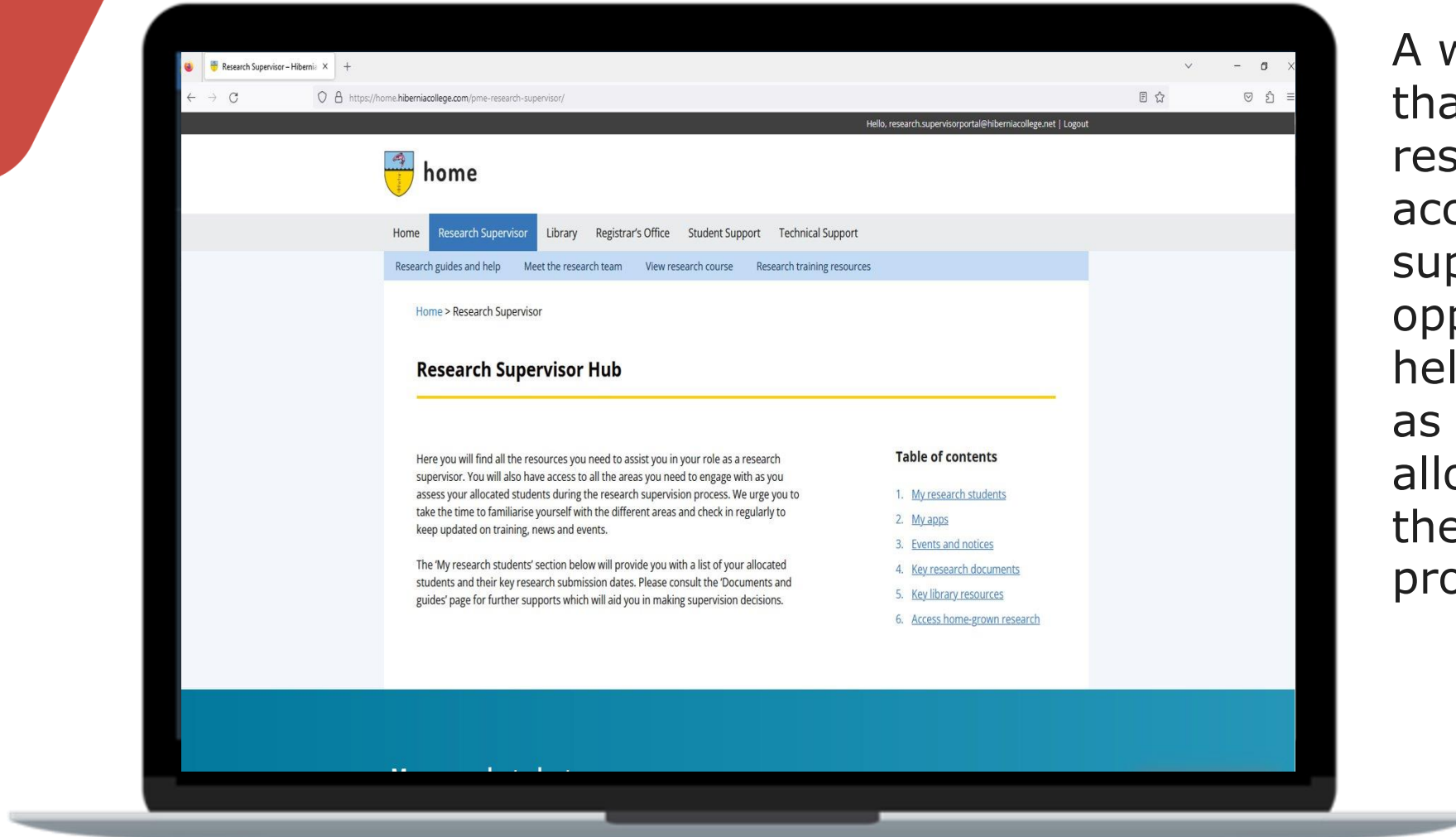


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# The Solution

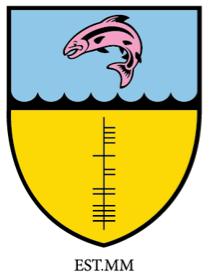
# Research Supervisor Hub



A web-based platform that provides research supervisors with access to resources, support, and networking opportunities that would help support supervisors as they work with their allocated students during the research supervision process.

<https://home.hiberniacollege.com>





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# The Features



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## Research Supervisor Hub

Here you will find all the resources you need to assist you in your role as a research supervisor. You will also have access to all the areas you need to engage with as you assess your allocated students during the research supervision process. We urge you to take the time to familiarise yourself with the different areas and check in regularly to keep updated on training, news and events.

The 'My research students' section below will provide you with a list of your allocated students and their key research submission dates. Please consult the 'Documents and guides' page for further supports which will aid you in making supervision decisions.

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## My research students

Update (03 October 2023)

Cohorts PMEPAUT21 and PMEPPAUT21 have been removed with the exception of those students who are repeating. Any repeating students are highlighted in the table below.

Name	Submission dates/links	Next dissertation stage	Is student currently on placement?	Research methods hub link
<strong>Repeating Cohorts</strong>				
Primary (PMEPSPR22) 40004651@hcastudent.net	<a href="#">View</a>	Ethics submission due 8 November 2023	Yes Finishing on the 20 October 2023	<a href="#">Open</a>
<strong>On Placement</strong>				
Primary (PMEPSPR22) 40027558@hcastudent.net	<a href="#">View</a>	Ethics submission due 8 November 2023	Yes Finishing on the 20 October 2023	<a href="#">Open</a>
<strong>Starting November</strong>				
Primary (PMEPAUT22) 40028627@hcastudent.net	<a href="#">View</a>	Ethics submission due 12 January 2024	Yes Finishing on the 17 November 2023	<a href="#">Open</a>
<strong>Starts January</strong>				
Primary (PMEPAUT22) 40029121@hcastudent.net	<a href="#">View</a>	Ethics submission due 12 January 2024	Yes Finishing on the 17 November 2023	<a href="#">Open</a>
<strong>Repeating Students</strong>				
Primary (PMEPAUT22) 40027937@hcastudent.net	<a href="#">View</a>	Ethics submission due 12 January 2024	Yes Finishing on the 17 November 2023	<a href="#">Open</a>
<strong>Starts January</strong>				
Primary (PMEPAUT22) 40028946@hcastudent.net	<a href="#">View</a>	Ethics submission due 12 January 2024	Yes Finishing on the 17 November 2023	<a href="#">Open</a>
<strong>Starts September</strong>				
Primary (PMEPAUT22) 40028289@hcastudent.net	<a href="#">View</a>	Ethics submission due 12 January 2024	Yes Finishing on the 17 November 2023	<a href="#">Open</a>
<strong>Repeating Cohorts</strong>				
Primary (PMEPAUT22) 40004651@hcastudent.net	<a href="#">View</a>	Ethics submission due 12 January 2024	Yes Finishing on the 17 November 2023	<a href="#">Open</a>
<strong>Starts in January</strong>				
Post-Primary (PMEPPSPR22) 40024923@hcastudent.net	<a href="#">View</a>	Final thesis due 6 May 2024	Yes Finishing on the 24 November 2023	<a href="#">Open</a>
<strong>Repeating Students</strong>				
Post-Primary (PMEPPSPR22) 40026895@hcastudent.net	<a href="#">View</a>	Final thesis due 6 May 2024	Yes Finishing on the 24 November 2023	<a href="#">Open</a>

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## Key research dates for [REDACTED]

Programme/cohort: PMEPPR22

9 March 2022	Preliminary Research Application due	<a href="#">Go to MyHELMS</a>
23 January 2023	SEPP 1 start	
3 March 2023	SEPP 1 end	
25 September 2023	SEPP 2 start	
20 October 2023	SEPP 2 end	
8 November 2023	Ethics submission due	<a href="#">Go to MyHELMS</a>
8 January 2024	Adv. SEPP start	
15 March 2024	Adv. SEPP end	
17 April 2024	Final thesis due	<a href="#">Go to MyHELMS</a>

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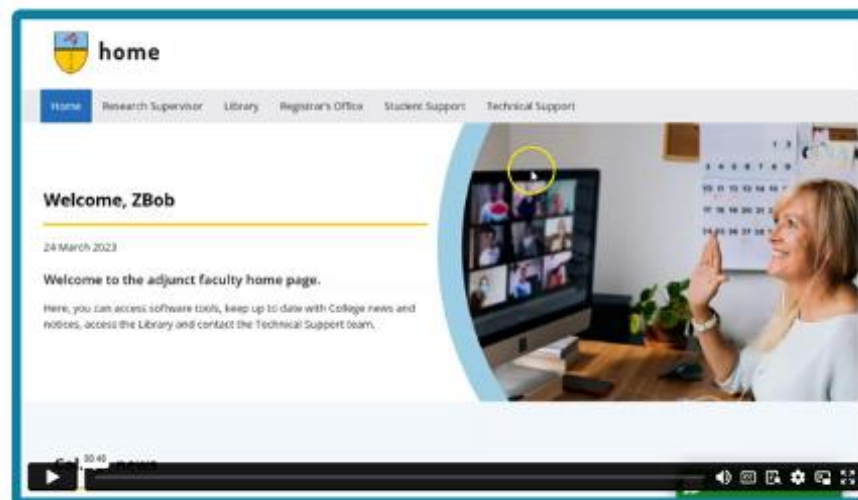
## Guides and help

This page contains a video overview about these new webpages and a flow diagram outlining the research supervision process.

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## An introduction to your new Research Supervisor Hub



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## College research

This page contains links to the college's research repository, IASC and the Hibernia College research papers.

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### IASC research repository

#### Access College research

IASC is an open-access repository designed to store, archive and disseminate the work of Hibernia College faculty, staff and students.

It includes peer-reviewed publications, conference papers, research reports, presentations and examples of exemplary work.

[Visit IASC](#)

### Hibernia College research papers

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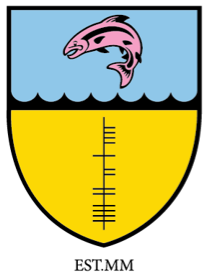
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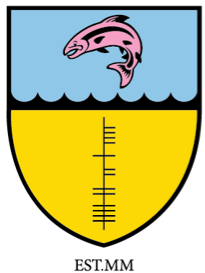
# The Feedback...so Far

## Feedback so Far...

"Hugely positive  
development"

"Streamlined the whole  
research process"

This research initiative found that the development of a supervisor hub is a positive model for supporting research supervisors.



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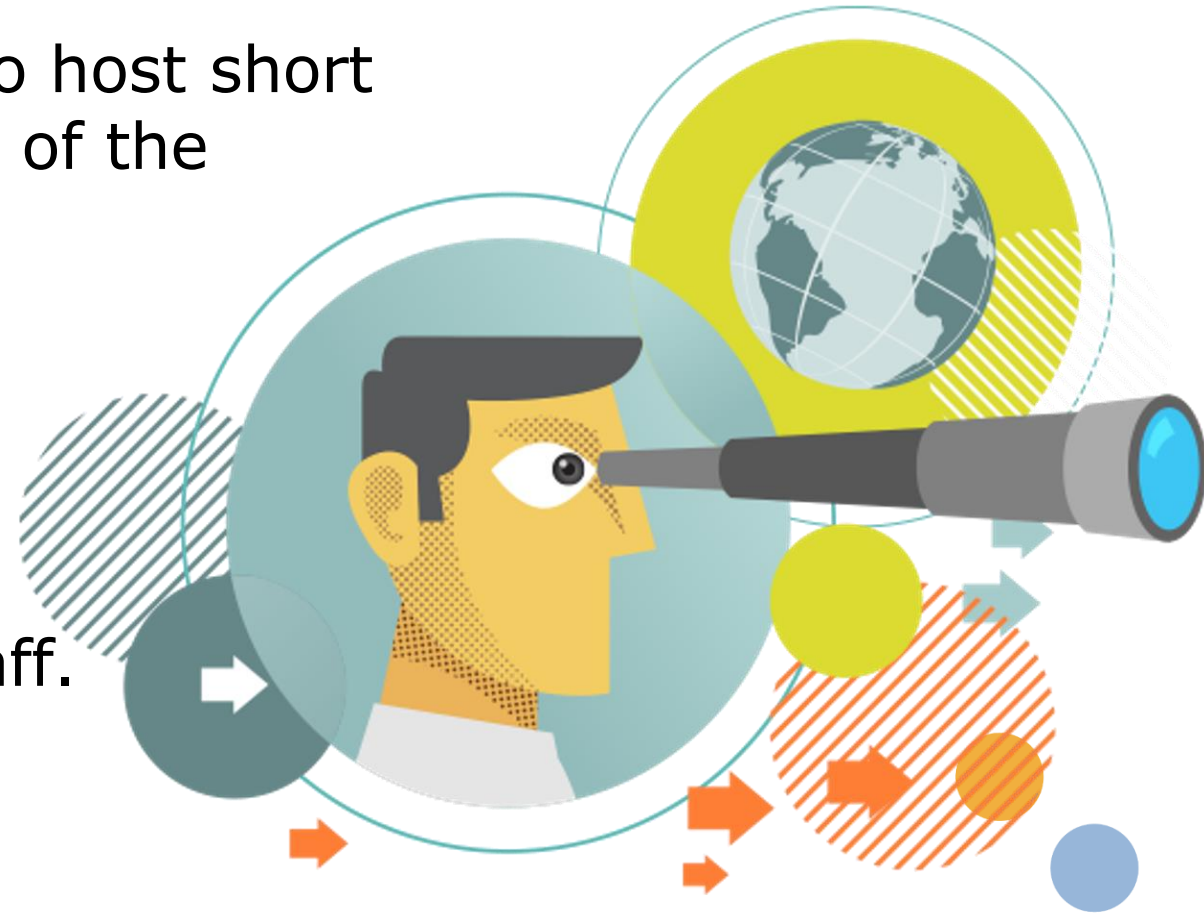
# The Future

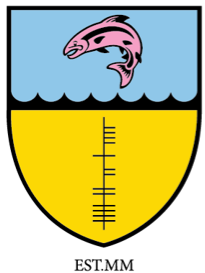




# Future Developments with the Research Hub

- Conduct more detailed feedback research from supervisors one year after implementation.
- Develop the training section to host short video clips on different stages of the supervisor process.
- Develop the live research section to focus on current research taking place with supervisors, students, and staff.





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## Tips for Similar Projects

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- Follow the UX Process.
- Involve the end users.
- Look at existing systems in place, VLEs etc.
- Allow enough time for testing and plan for delays.
- Break down project into different phases.





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**Thank you**