

**Postgraduate Research Students, NUI Galway**  
**National Student Survey**  
**School of Mathematical and Statistical Sciences**  
**2024 Action Plan**

		<b>Actions</b>	<b>Responsible</b>	<b>Status</b>
1	<b>Research Infrastructure and Facilities</b>	In light of repurposing of PG common room, ensure adequate access to staff infrastructure (incl. common room) is provided to PGR students.	DoGS + School Administrator	In progress
2	<b>Supervision</b>	Bi-annual briefing to supervisors re best practices, new guidelines etc.	DoGS	Ongoing
3	<b>Research Culture</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interdisciplinary school seminar series for PGR students</li> <li>Monthly research news update + periodic sharing of tips (grants, personal effectiveness, dissemination)</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PGR students</li> <li>R&amp;GS</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ongoing</li> <li>Ongoing</li> </ol>
4	<b>Progress and Assessment</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Briefing about GRC and viva procedures + initial local induction at the school level.</li> <li>Central page for PhD students with documentation and guidelines.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DoGS</li> <li>DoGS</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete</li> <li>Complete</li> </ol>
5	<b>Research Skills</b>	Central page for PhD students with information and policies on Research Integrity.	DoGS	Complete
6	<b>Other Transferable Skills</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organise and promote workshops targeting transferable skills (e.g. responsible use of AI tools for research)</li> <li>Invite RDC to School Research Day to showcase available training and encourage uptake by postgraduate students</li> </ol>	PGR supported by School	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ongoing</li> <li>Complete</li> </ol>
7	<b>Responsibilities and Supports</b>	Dedicated event at School Research Day + Launch EDI survey for students.	DoGS and Chair Athena SWAN SAT	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In progress</li> </ol>
8	<b>Personal Outlook</b>	-		
9	<b>Development Opportunities</b>	Develop a School policy on responsibilities and guidance on tutorial/demonstration work for postgraduate students.	School Manager and School Executive	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In progress</li> </ol>
10	<b>Motivations</b>	-		
11	<b>Career</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Invite RDC to School Research Day to showcase available training and encourage uptake by postgraduate students (see also 6.)</li> <li>Provide stimulating research environment to support academic careers through e.g. Summer Schools, special research events etc.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>DoGS + DoR</li> <li>DoGS + DoR + Heads of subject</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete</li> <li>Ongoing</li> </ol>
12	<b>Overall Experience</b>	-		

DoGS = Director of Graduate Studies

DoR = Director of Research

R&GS = Research and Graduate Studies Committee