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# Post–Grad Community

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**Post-Grad Community** provides access to cross-college and cross-disciplinary opportunities, events and networking for postgraduate taught and research students at UAL.

We help the community connect and collaborate via our weekly newsletter, social media channels, events, reading groups and project fund.

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## Who is the Post-Grad Community?

**2800+** Postgraduate students

**80+** MA, MSC, MBA, PG Cert, Grad Dip courses

**250+** Research degree students

**Connecting across:**
Colleges, Institutes, Research Centres, College Research Groups & Networks

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## Post-Grad Community Comms

- **Post Grad Community Stories**
  A platform for student news, reviews, conference reports, research and call outs for collaborators

- **Post Grad Community Newsletter**
  Delivered every Friday lunchtime to 4000 emails – all current PGR and PGT students, plus staff and alumni.

- **Post-Grad Community Social Media**
  Facebook, Instagram, Twitter.
  Open to takeovers, shares…

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*" I wanted to drop you a line to say how much I enjoyed the brilliant lecture last night at Chelsea on drawing and cave imagery. Paul Pettitt was so interesting and I thought the MA project responding to drawing in caves was particularly inspiring."*

**Student, MA Printmaking, Camberwell**

## Reading/ discussion groups

Our reading group directory connects postgraduate students with similar research interests across subject areas.

### Student led groups:
- **Design Prescribed** (MA student lead)
- **Circular Design Lab** (PhD student lead)
- **What should art do with animals?** (PhD student lead)

### PGC collaborations with academics:
- **Passagens,** with Professor Lucy Orta (CSF)
- **DRAW,** initiated with Tania Kovats (Wimbledon)

### Other groups at UAL:
- **Pedagogy Reading Group** (Teaching and Learning Exchange)
- **Reading collections: The African-Caribbean, Asian & African Art in Britain Archive** (Academic Support, Chelsea)

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*"The opportunity to present my work to students and professionals refined my thinking for my MA. It helped me clarify key issues and gave me a much needed confidence boost"*

**Kath Lovett, MA Textiles Chelsea**
**There and back again 2019**

# Project Fund

Funds are available for student led collaborative projects responding to UAL's 4 research themes.

- Regular awards of up to £300, deadline each term
- EXTRA awards of up to £1000, Spring term deadline.

## Examples of funded projects:

### On the Mend
A design collective led by MA students from CSM and LCC interested in healthcare and wellbeing environments.

### Hollow Chambers
An exhibition of interdisciplinary work relating to notions around "caves" led by MA students from Wimbledon and CSM with the Mendip Caving group.

### There and back again (2018 and 2019)
A two day event from Centre for Circular Design exploring the potential of design for end-of-life for products and materials through multiple perspectives. Led by Cathryn Hall and Laetitia Forst (PhD, Chelsea) with opportunities for MA students to present and report back.

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*"I liked meeting new people and learning to work for a project together with completely new people "*

**Student participant, The Water Fight**

## Events

Post-Grad Community has a programme of events, creating opportunities for sharing, learning and networking.

**Change Makers: For Mental Health 0.2**
A collaboration with Creative Conscience

- Afternoon event at CSM

- Audience of 110

- Platform for students, graduates and industry professionals to showcase work responding to this challenging realm

**The Water Fight**
A collaboration with WaterAid and MA Design Management Cultures

- 2 day hackathon

- 50 postgraduate students from across UAL took part

- Included a visit to WaterAid's headquarters for briefing

- Interdisciplinary teams explored the potential of the arts as a means to achieve development goals, building stronger, more sustainable communities.

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**Newsletter:** Sent every Friday lunchtime
Deadline for listings: 12pm Thursday

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