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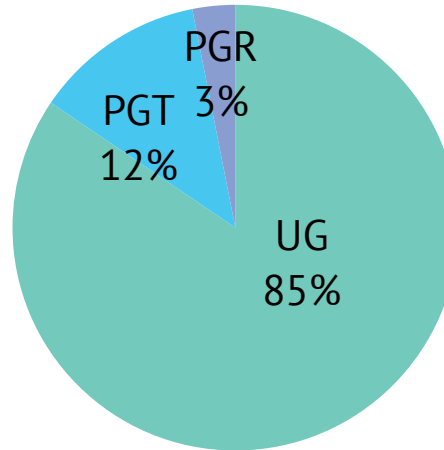
# **PG Open Afternoon: Postgraduate Research Degrees @ BU**

**Dr Fiona Knight, Head of Doctoral College**

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- 18,000 students
- >15,000 UG students
- >2,000 PGT students
- >550 PGR students



- 2,500 international students
- 130+ countries

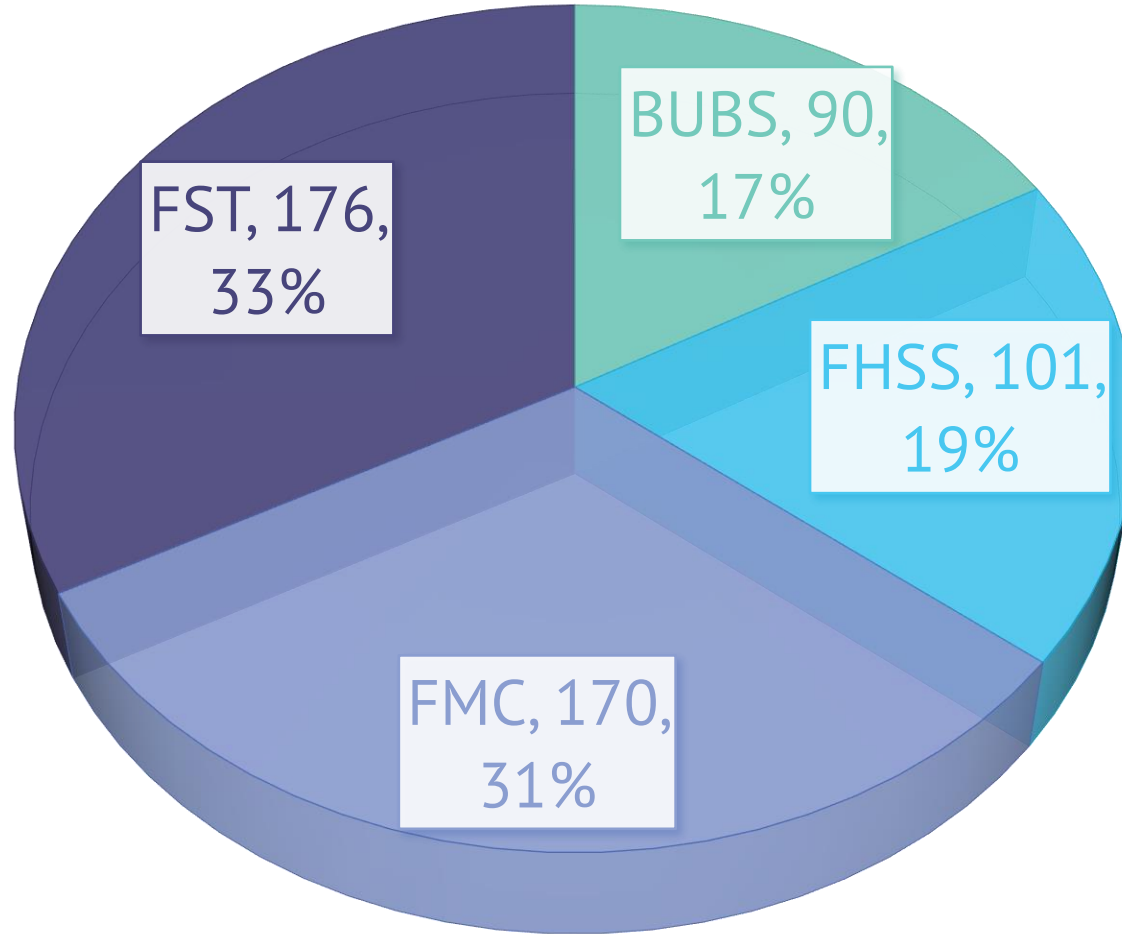
- Four faculties across two main sites – Talbot and Lansdowne Campus - plus Partner Colleges





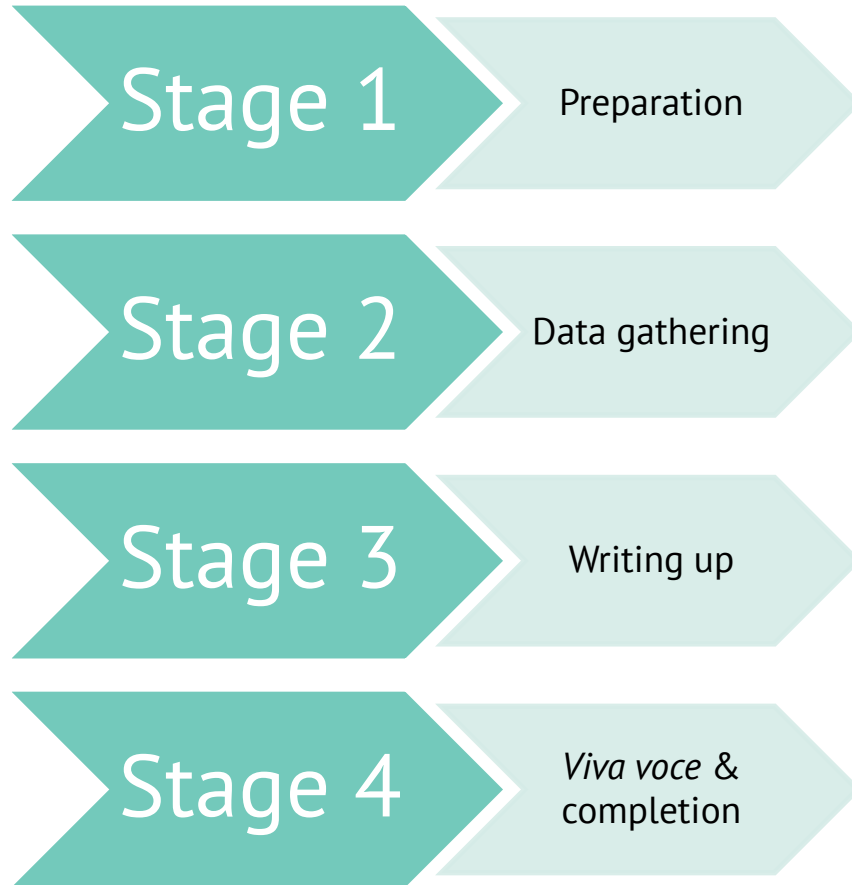
- Our students are a **key part of the research** we conduct, co-creating knowledge with us and playing a crucial role in everything that we do.
- At BU our **research environment** supports the research capacity and capability of staff at all stages of their career.
- Our **research culture** is ambitious, inclusive and innovative, focusing in particular on the societal impact of our research and the co-creation of new knowledge with our students.

# Postgraduate Researchers at BU





# Key stages of a research degree



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## Doctoral College

**Code of Practice for  
Research Degrees**  
September 2021  
Policy, Procedure  
and Guidelines

[www.bournemouth.ac.uk/doctoral-college](http://www.bournemouth.ac.uk/doctoral-college)

# Fees and Funding

- **Fees for 2022-23**

- Full-time Home/EU: £4,567
- Part-time Home/EU: £2,283
- Full-time Overseas: £16,000 (Lib)
- Full-time Overseas: £18,000 (Lab)
- Completion Status: £600



- **Funding Options**

- Self funded
- Externally funded (e.g. employer, sponsor)
- BU Funded (e.g. studentship)
- Postgraduate Loan (Student Finance)



## Faculty

### Academic Supervision:

Regular meetings; timely feedback

### Progression Monitoring:

Probationary, Major & Re-Enrolment Reviews; *Viva Voce* Examinations

### Pastoral Support:

Departmental PGR Leads;  
Postgraduate Research Administrators

### Research Culture & Community:

Seminars, Conferences, Development;  
Faculty Reps

### Resources:

Office Space; IT Equipment;  
Laboratory access; etc.

## Doctoral College

### Overarching Policy Guidance:

Codes of Practice; Academic Procedures; Administrative Processes

### Research Development Programme:

Seminars; Workshops; Masterclasses;  
Online Resources; Brightspace

### Research Culture & Community:

Regular Newsletters; Facebook;  
Annual Conference, Social Events;  
Research Hu

### Administrative Support:

Admissions; Enrolment; *Viva Voce* Arrangements; Conferment

## BU

### Academic Services:

Library, Study Skills; Graduation

### Student Services:

Health & Wellbeing, Additional Learning Support; General Advice; SportBU; Faith & Reflection

### IT Services:

Hardware and software support

### SUBU:

Representations; General Advice; Networking; Clubs and Societies

# Advance HE PRES 2021

**41%**  
response rate

**93%**

“my supervisor has the skills & subject knowledge to support their research”

**75%**

“my supervisor has helped me identify my training & development needs”

**91%**

“my skills in applying research methodologies, tools & techniques have developed during my programme”

**88%**

“my skills in critically analysing & evaluating findings & results have developed during my programme”

**90%**

“my supervisor provides helpful feedback”

**85%** “I have appropriate access to IT resources and facilities when on campus”

**80%**

“I feel better prepared for their future career”

**78%**

**overall satisfaction**

# Next Steps

1.

- Identify your area of interest

2.

- Contact a potential supervisor

3.

- Develop your research proposal

4.

- Submit an online application

6.

- Prepare for your interview

## Contact us

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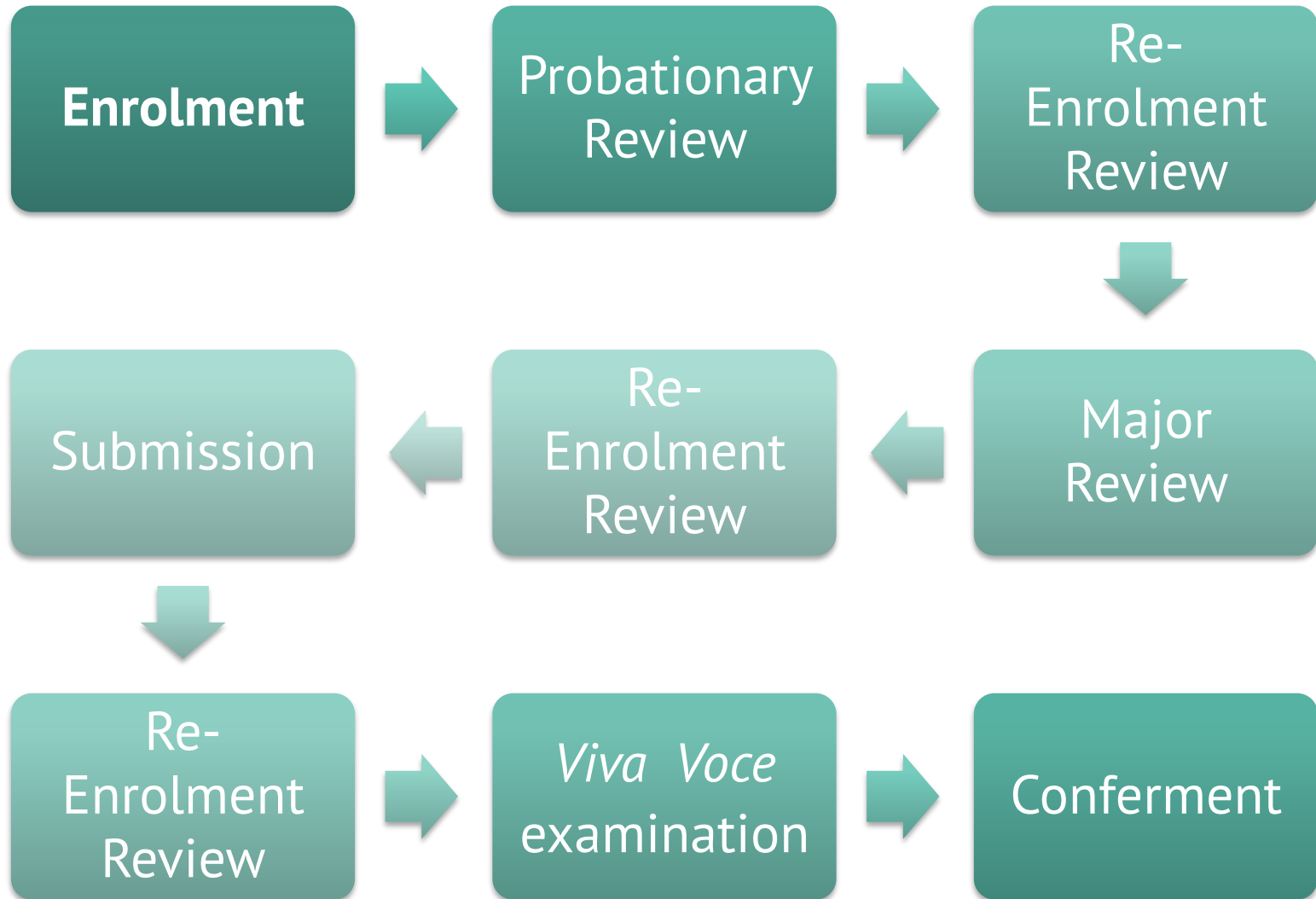
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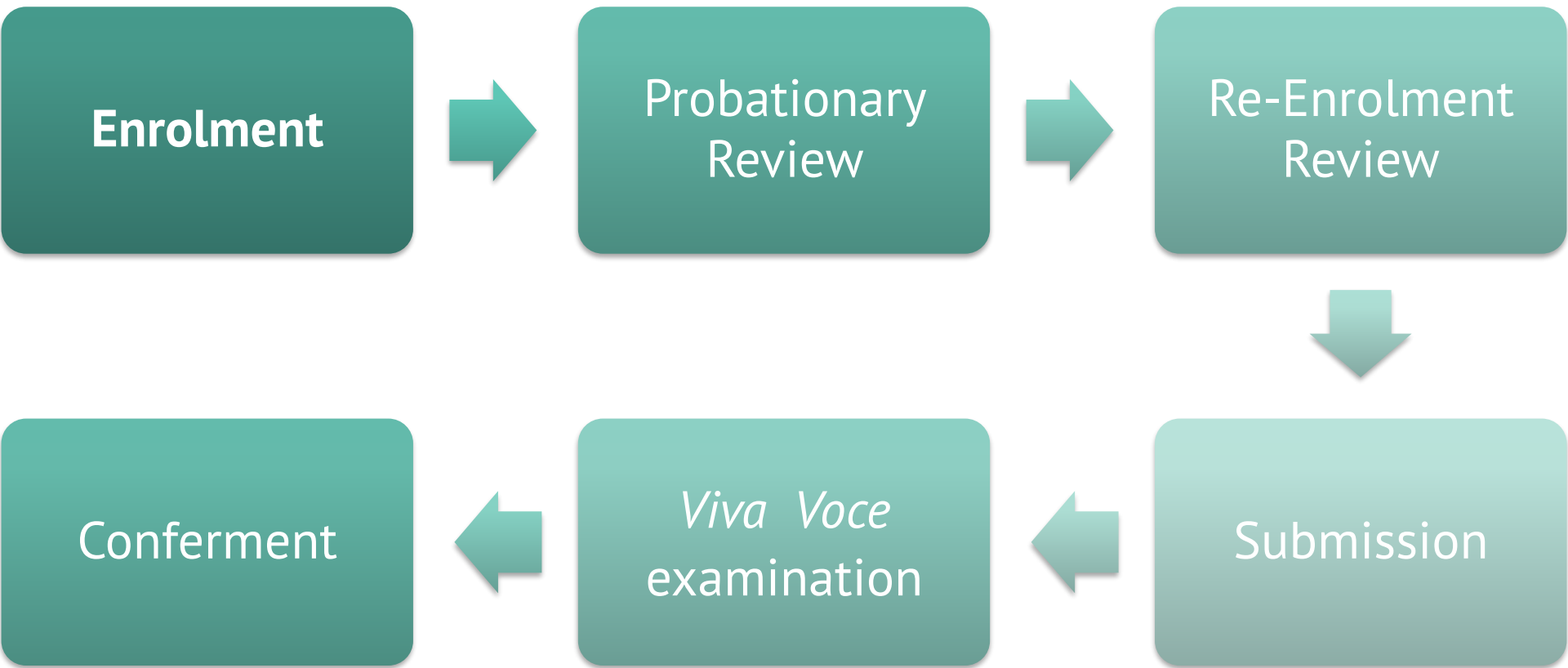


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# Monitoring Progression - PhD



# Monitoring Progression - MRes



# Research Community & Culture

Researcher Development

Research Centres

Faculty Conference

Annual PGR Conference

PGR Representatives

Faculty Research Seminars

Virtual Poster Exhibition

PGR Society

Coffee Mornings

Settling In Session

Supervisor PGRs

Faculty Blogs

Re-Orientations

PGR Peer Support Units

Research Ethics Panels

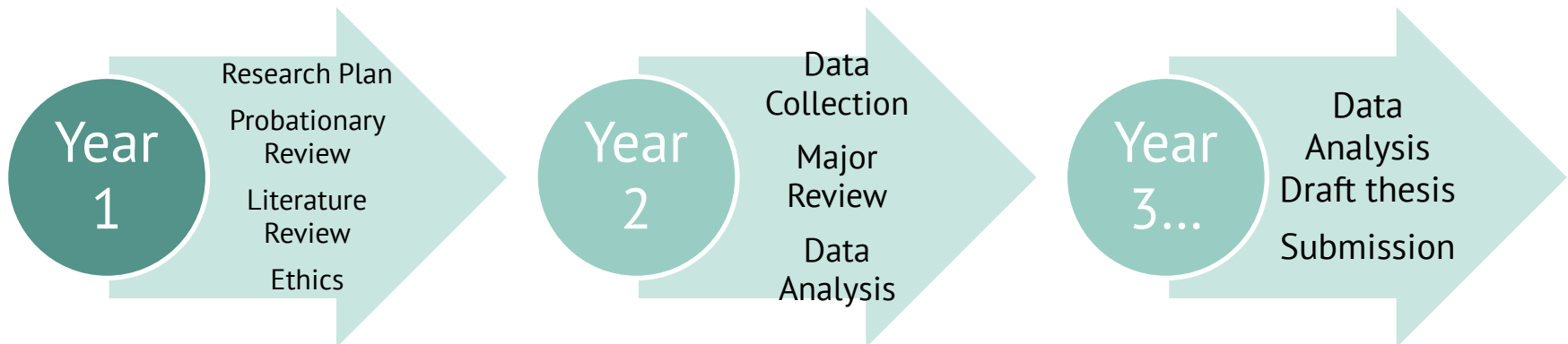
Blog Posts

Research Institutes

Faith & Reflection

# Research Degree Timeline

- This is individual to you and is dependent on your:
  - Programme of study
  - Mode of attendance
  - Start date
- You will be provide with key dates by your PGRA
  - Also can be found in ResearchPAD
- Top Tip: diarise deadlines now and plan work accordingly – time flies...!





# Research Degree Rollercoaster

## The “psychological” stages

