



To Certain students in Scientific and certain other departments who commence study/
research in the academic year 2024/25

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Subject **Postgraduate Safety Course (Scientific and certain other Departments) 2024/25**
'Staying Safe at the University of Cambridge'

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To keep the University a safe and healthy place to work and stay, we expect every member of the University to look after their own safety, to watch out for each other and to co-operate with University, Faculty, Department or Institution safety management arrangements.

Postgraduate students are expected to complete the Online: Staying Safe at the University of Cambridge training. Details of how to access this training will be available at <https://www.safety.admin.cam.ac.uk/training/postgraduate-safety-course/postgraduate-training> by the start of full Michaelmas Term.

In addition to the above training, all postgraduate students need to complete additional subject specific training appropriate to their research area before starting their research activities. Links to this additional training will be provided when you access the Staying Safe at the University of Cambridge training. You must therefore actively engage with your supervisor (and vice-versa) to ensure you are competent and adequately trained to undertake all aspects of your research activities safely before starting. Where appropriate, seek advice from supervisors, those with safety roles within your department and from the Safety Office if you are in any doubt as these principles are key and core to safe research.

Transferable skills

All the UK Research Councils regard learning about health and safety issues as an essential part of the training requirements for research students. You can gain credits for Transferable Skills Training by attending the Staying Safe at the University of Cambridge training course and other courses provided by the Safety Office. For more information on transferable skills and our courses, follow the link <https://www.safety.admin.cam.ac.uk/training> which takes you to the Safety Office Training and Development page.

Special requirements

Please let us know if you have any particular requirements that will enable you to participate fully in this training by emailing: safety.training@admin.cam.ac.uk.

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