

Doctoral Training Programme

Information Society



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The Centre for Computing and Social Responsibility (CCSR) at De Monfort University (DMU) is a renowned world leading centre in researching Computer Ethics with an established reputation for successful supervision of research students. The centre set up the ETHICOMP conference series which has been running for 18 years. The Journal of Information, Communication & Ethics in Society is edited within CCSR.

Drawing on the centre's long history of innovation and research excellence, the Information Society Doctoral Training Programme (DTP) has been running since 2006. The programme covers a range of issues related to the social impact and responsibilities of technology in the modern world and includes fields such as Assisted Living, Responsible Research and Innovation, eGovernment, Computer Ethics, ICT for Development, eCommerce, Privacy and Data Protection, eLearning, and Health Informatics.

Why study for a PhD at DMU?

- Individual PhD training programme designed for each student
- Access to wide-ranging skills and training courses
- Network of fellow students within a welcoming research community
- Opportunities for internships and teaching experience
- Excellent career advice and access to the international research community
- Support to publish in leading international journals

Based in Leicester city centre, at the heart of England, we pride ourselves in being a university of creativity and innovation.

The Information Society DTP is based around a team of highly qualified and supportive supervisors. We have experience in supervising research students from all parts of the world who integrate seamlessly with our UK students. On completion, many of these graduates have taken up academic posts in universities within the UK or abroad whilst others have employed the skills learned through the programme in a range of exciting commercial roles.



DMU's pioneering research, driven by more than 700 research students and supported by 500 staff, is internationally renowned and addresses some of the most critical issues affecting the world. We are constantly investing in the student experience and are entering one of the most exciting times in our proud 143-year history as we begin a £90m programme to transform our city centre campus. Our research students appreciate the vibrant multiculturalism of Leicester, a city with a proud history of diversity and egalitarianism.

Information Society DTP supervisors are highly respected in their field, working with academics from across the globe including Meiji University in Tokyo, University of Chile, Technical University Berlin and many more, as well as major commercial organisations such as Microsoft.

“Doing a research degree at DMU opened up wonderful opportunities for me, including a year at Harvard University, which got me off to a great start in my academic career.”

Sara Wilford PhD, now Senior Lecturer

Our principal research projects include:

- Human Brain Project (EU flagship project)
- Implementation of Electronic Voting in the UK (UK Government contract)
- ETICA, Ethical Issues of Emerging ICT Application (EU funded)
- Framework for Ethics in ICT (FRRIICT), with Oxford University (EPSRC)
- Global Model and Observatory for International Responsible Research & Innovation Coordination (RESPONSIBILITY) (EU funded)
- IDEGOV (Identification and governance of emerging ethical issues in information systems) (CIGREF foundation)

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