



**Guided
Research
Programme**

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What is the GRP?

The Guided Research Programme (GRP) is a flexible, research-based (non-taught) programme offered by the Oxford Centre for Mission Studies (OCMS) which provides an opportunity for individuals to reflect, explore, investigate and produce a significant and meaningful research output, at their own speed and under the guidance of a personal tutor. Entry is at either pre- or post-doctoral level.



- ✓ Customized Programme
- ✓ Oxford Residencies
- ✓ Personal Tutor
- ✓ Four Annual Admission Dates
- ✓ Priority for female scholars
- ✓ Home Based On-line Learning
- ✓ Virtual Campus and Resources
- ✓ Global Network

Is the GRP for you?

- Would you benefit from synthesizing your **experience and knowledge**?
- Are you seeking to create **cutting edge** ministry/ mission resources?
- Do you wish to study others' experience and knowledge in your area of interest in order to **deepen your own understanding** and mastery?
- Are you looking to **reflect** on a ministry/mission experience?

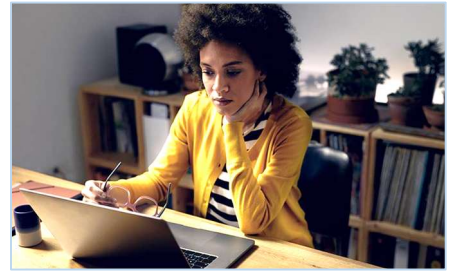


"It is my conviction that during this century many of the influential leaders in the church will come from the global south. The on-going work of OCMS in preparing many of them for leadership, through its postgraduate and research programmes will be a key part in this process." – **John Stott**

Which GRP student are you?

The Crossroads: A Christian in leadership in mission/ministry or secular work who is looking to move to the next phase of ministry. You want an opportunity to reflect and integrate experience with learning. You also want to equip yourself for greater mastery and perhaps use the integrated experience and understanding as a springboard into the next chapter of work.

Possible output: Documentation in the form of essay(s), articles, short video, digital presentation etc.



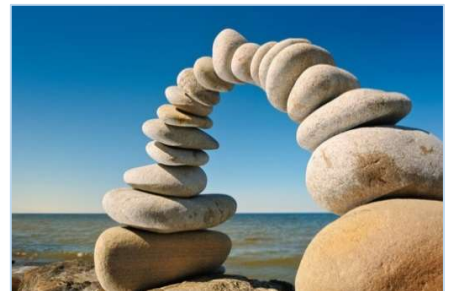
The Research Retreat: Someone looking for a sabbatical or a nurturing, restorative space. You will likely have an area you want to do wider reading in, and will benefit from an opportunity to debrief on personal mission/ministry experiences.

Possible output: Documentation in the form of personal journal or other reflective piece, etc.



The Capstone: A Christian in leadership in mission/ministry or secular work with significant experience (20+ years) who wants to bring this experience together, synthesize and formalise your knowledge and make it available to others.

Possible output: Documentation in form of book, study materials, manuals, website/blog, documentary, media, etc.



The Academic Researcher: Someone who may already be in a study programme or may have finished a programme and wants to write up their findings, or someone who is exploring further academic study or want to get additional value from what they have already studied.

Possible output: Documentation in the form of academic scripts, research proposals, book, monograph, etc.



Added value in doing a GRP with OCMS?

- ✓ Access to **Oxford resources and the Bodleian Library**
- ✓ **Research guide:** Access to professional academic guidance and challenge.
- ✓ A **sounding board** for thinking and research (listener/mentor)
- ✓ Work at **Post-doctoral or Pre-doctoral** levels
- ✓ A **community** of scholars and mission practitioners
- ✓ **Skills development** in research skills, writing coaching and use of social media tools like blogs, editors
- ✓ A **Global Network** of scholars and practitioners

Eligibility Requirements:

- A **Master's Degree** (or equivalent) in any discipline
- Proficiency in written and spoken **English** language
- Minimum of 5 years' work and ministry **experience**

Fees and Start Dates

Application Fees – £30 (non-refundable)

GRP Fees – £210 per month

Oxford Residency Fees – £50 per week (payable for the first 4 weeks in residence in Oxford in each academic year)

Generous Scholarships are available in case of need

Flexible Start Dates: 1 October, 1 January, 1 April, 1 July annually

Find out More

For more information or for an application form, please do not hesitate to be in touch with us at **grp@ocms.ac.uk**

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