

Dear HRD colleagues

### **HRD and doctoral supervision**

We invite you to participate in this questionnaire survey. This project has been funded by the University Forum for HRD (UFHRD) and builds on earlier research (Sambrook & Stewart 2006; Sambrook, Stewart and Roberts, 2008) addressing specific areas within HRD doctoral supervision.

We hope that the project will add value to HRD and doctoral supervision in general by:

- providing a richer understanding of the complexities of student-supervisory relationships specific to the HRD and HE context;
- examining and better understanding the relationships to enhance academic practice;
- better facilitating the learning and development of students through supervision to enhance their own research expertise; and thus further contributing to developing a broader HRD research community.

#### **What we would like you to do**

Your participation is important to us. We would like two outputs from you:

- completion of this questionnaire by Friday June 12th 2009 (an extension to the original deadline)
- e-mailing a link (embedded in the survey) to your current and recent PhD students so that they can complete a similar questionnaire, providing us with the student's perspective. Their deadline was 12<sup>th</sup> June, but we can extend this a week to Friday 19<sup>th</sup>.

Here is the link to your survey

<http://spreadsheets.google.com/viewform?formkey=cE1pSUFGdkFuMDRFLUJ6MGRUNTg2U3c6MA..>

Many thanks for your time and we look forward to better understanding doctoral supervision from your perspectives.

Enjoy the conference!

Best wishes,

Jim, Sally and Clair

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