

# UNIVERSITY OF LINCOLN

# Women into Research 2016: Getting Started With or Without Funding

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### Introduction

- Reflect on last week's session.
- Was anyone able to reflect on something that they may try out in an attempt to overcome perceived and actual barriers to doing research?

Document: Barriers/Strategies/Outcomes

Build up an array of tools



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System is top down, lack of
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(Session 3)
Getting started with or without research funding

RESEARCH IS:

 ASKING A QUESTION YOU CAN ANSWER WITH THE RESOURCES AT YOUR DISPOSAL

# What's at your disposal

- Research time allocation in your workload?
- Library and Library Assistance
- Internet
- Telephone
- Colleagues
- Line manager
- University strategy policies
- Ethics Committee



## **Practicalities**

- A question to answer
- "A sample of subjects/literature/media/medium
- "Something to 'measure'/'framework'
- "A way to 'measure' it or 'analyse' it
- "A way to disseminate you findings

## Catch 22

- Criteria for obtaining a large grant is demonstrating a track record of grant management
- Team up with a more experienced researcher or research group
- http://www.genderportal.eu/gender-and-sciencetaxonomy/gender-stereotypes-bias?page=1
- Serve as an co-investigator, rather than as the principal investigator (to begin with)

- Small Grants: Charities, British Academy,
   Welcome Trust Seed Award
- Research Professional
   https://www.researchprofessional.com/0/rr/
   home

# **University Grants**

- RIF funding
- College Research Fund (Social Science)
- College of Science?? (dissemination money)
- College of Arts (dissemination money)
- Network events

# No money, don't worry

- University cohorts (students, staff, administration)
- Methodologies that do not cost the earth
- Systematic reviews (time consuming)
- Autoethnographies (too subjective?)
- Desk-based data (archival and data repositories)
- A willingness to think beyond the obvious

### What are the barriers

- Work on your table and think about the barriers to you setting up a research project with little or no money using the following framework:
- Personal/Intersubjective/Structural
- 15 minutes

Feedback

### What are the facilitators

- Work on your table and think about what could facilitate setting up a research project with little or no money using the following framework:
- Personal/Intersubjective/Structural
- 15 minutes

Feedback