

Culture Lab
University of Newcastle

Location
Newcastle upon Tyne, UK

Since
2006

Disciplines
Music, media-art, performing art

Degrees offered
MA, PhD

Number of third cycle students
approx. 20

Structure
Culture Lab is an interdisciplinary research facility at the University of Newcastle, set up to promote socially and economically valuable synergies with artists, creative industries, and cultural and scientific institutions, and the development of innovative research with digital tools. It provides access to media labs, a sound studio, 3D and electronics workshops, and live event spaces. Research activities are generally linked to projects and colleagues based in other parts of the university.

Requirements
Culture Lab hosts PhD students from diverse institutional, international and disciplinary backgrounds. As a function of themes and supervisory needs, hosted students are directly registered with and supervised by Culture Lab staff, or registered in and supervised by staff from associated schools, possibly with Culture Lab co-supervisory input. Culture Lab PhD hosting may correspond to full or partial project duration.

Publications and conferences
An overview of Culture Lab projects and outcomes can be found at <http://culturelab.ncl.ac.uk/>. Culture lab regularly hosts cultural events; on 9-15 November 2009, the *Wunderbar* Festival was held.

Supervision
Students can be directly registered with Culture Lab if appropriate supervision is available, or students registered in a school providing main supervision may seek Culture Lab hosting for secondary supervision and access to technical infrastructure. Culture Lab hosting of PhD activity may correspond to full or partial project duration.

Embedding within the institution

Culture Lab operates cross-faculty. It is part of the University of Newcastle's *Cultural Quarter*, including a museum, theatre, and literary center.

Funding and stipendia

Activities are funded by Research Council and European Framework Programme grants, regional funding bodies, charitable trusts and business corporations. Fees for the Fine Arts PhD are full time £4,235, part time £2,120 (home), full time £10,525 (international).

<http://www.ncl.ac.uk/culturelab/>