Monday, 19 August

12:00 – 13:00  Registration with lunch

13:00 – 14:00  **Introduction, aims of course and Ice-breaker activity**  
   *Led by programme committee*

14:00 – 15:30  **Session 1: How does research inform policy?**  
   *Chair: Sarion Bowers*  
   *Aim of session: this session will explore the relationship between research and policy making, and allow groups to look in detail at the role that research and researchers have played in recent legislation.*

   Why should researchers engage with policy makers?  
   *Sarion Bowers*  
   *Wellcome Sanger Institute, UK*

   Influencing policy - the example of the Nuffield Council on Bioethics  
   *Anna Wilkinson*  
   *Nuffield Council on Bioethics, UK*

   Group discussions  
   *Group project introduced*

15:30 – 16:00  Afternoon Tea

16:00 – 18.00  **Session 2: Getting evidence to where it’s needed**  
   *Chair: Peter Border*  
   *Aim of session there any many routes to get evidence into the right hands, and this session will explore some of the established routes through which researchers can help inform policy making.*

   The role of the Parliamentary Office for Science and Technology  
   *Peter Border*  
   *Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology, UK*
The role of Select Committees
Harry Beeson
Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology, UK

A view from the Civil Service
Elizabeth Killen
Government Office for Science, UK

Panel discussion and Q&A

18:30 – 19:00 Networking Reception

19:00 Dinner

Tuesday, 20 August 2019

09:00 – 10:30 Session 3: Group Work I
Aim of session: participants will work in groups with a case study – the white paper on immigration – to write a briefing for MPs and present ideas on the final day of the course.

10:30 – 11:00 Morning Coffee

11:00 – 13:00 Session 4: The role of intermediaries in policy making
Chair: Hayley Clissold
Aim of session: this session will consider how researchers can maximize their influence, by working together through intermediaries such as National Academies, associations and funders.

Joe Edwards
Royal Society, UK

James Squires
The Academy of Medical Science, UK

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:30 Session 5: A conversation with Vicky Ford
Chair: Julia Wilson

15:30 – 16:00 Afternoon Tea

16:00 – 18:00 Session 6: Group Work II
Aim of session: participants continue to work on their case study presentation

18.00 – 18:30 Free time

18:30 Dinner
Wednesday, 21 August 2019

09:00 – 10:30  **Session 7: International science policy**  
Chair: Hayley Clissold  
Aim of session: this session offers a chance to hear how to navigate the extra complexities of international policy.

*Alex Hulme*  
Academy of medical sciences international section  

*Alice Jamieson*  
Wellcome

10:30 – 11:00  Coffee break

11:00 – 12:30  **Session 8: Group work presentation**

12:30 – 13:30  Lunch

13:30 – 14:30  **Session 9: How to influence Policy - panel discussion**  
Chair: Peter Border  
Aim of session: advice on how to influence policy as a researcher and how to transition from research to policy

Panelists include:  
*Sarion Bowers*  
Wellcome Sanger Institute, UK  

*Rachel Castle*  
AstraZeneca, UK

14:30 – 15:15  **Session 10: Course summary** – to include how to apply learning from this course (with Q&A)  
Chair: programme committee

15:30  **Transfers depart to Cambridge Train Station**