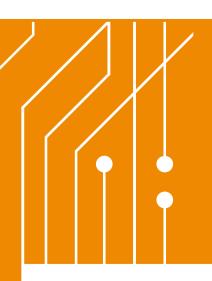
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#### Scientific Computing Graduate Scheme

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#### Agenda

**1** Overview of the STFC graduate scheme

**2** The Scheme in Scientific Computing

**3** Recruitment

**4** Projects/Placements

#### **5** Questions

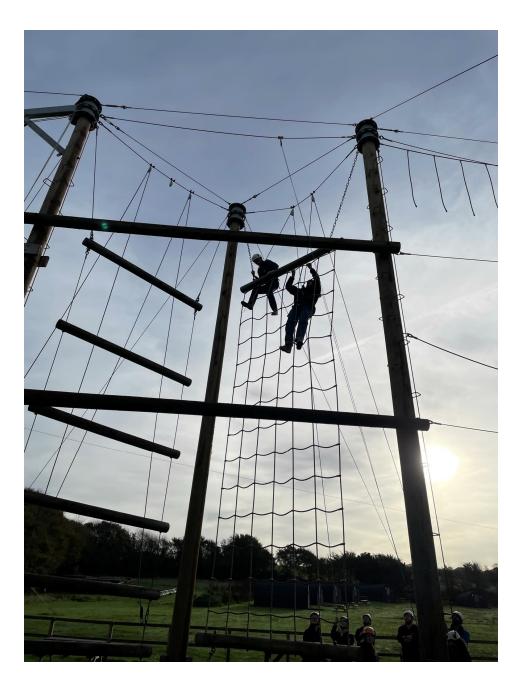




# **Graduate Programme**

- Starting in Scientific Computing Band C S1 £33,380
- £1,000 welcome bonus + £2,000 pay increase after a years service
- Two year professional development programme
- Core programme alongside technical training
  - Core training
  - Residential at SKERN
  - Placements
  - Projects
  - STEM Ambassadors/ Early Careers Engagement Programme
  - Dedicated pastoral support





## **Graduate Programme**

- Promotion after 2 years graduates (subject to performance)
- Continuing professional development towards Chartered Status (4-5 years)
- STFC Gold Partnership with BCS



• STFC Graduate Scheme is accredited with:



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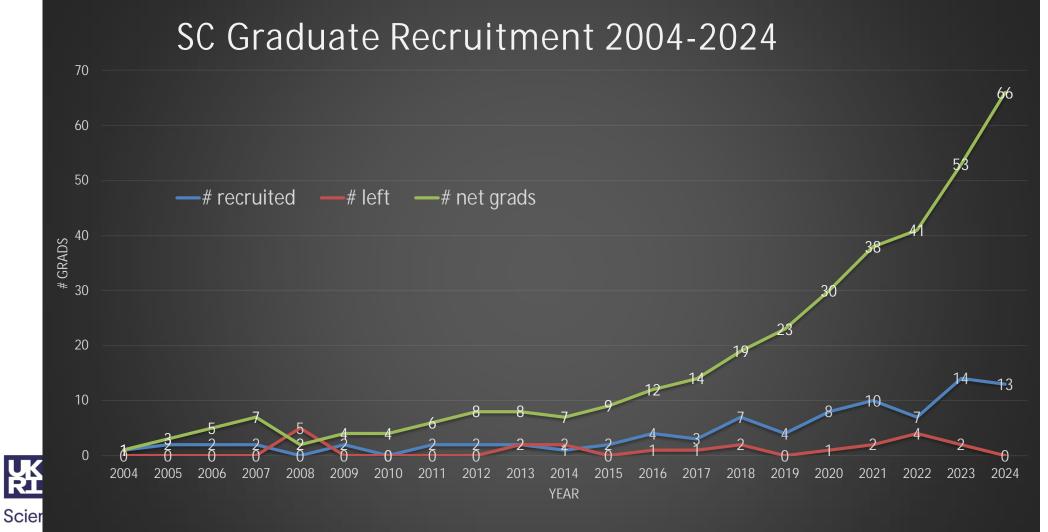
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## **Scientific Computing Graduate Scheme**

- Recruitment
- Typically recruit ~12 per year
- Process starts in August to write the job description and approvals
- Advertised during Sept Oct
- Shortlisted Oct Nov
- Telephone Interviews Nov Dec
- Assessment Centre Jan
- Graduates start typically start in May, July, Sept. at DL & RAL
- STFC Graduates are members of staff on an established contracts.
- The success of the interview process is down to the great interviewers and shortlisting team
- If you want to get involved in the recruitment process please mail Sally Prydderch



#### **Scientific Computing Graduate Scheme**

- **Projects/Placements in Scientific Computing**
- Each graduate has 4x 6 month rotations to develop skills and explore all aspects of the dept from scientific code development, software engineering, DevOps, Ops, systems and project management
- Plus a 3 month project external to the department to develop awareness of other ways of working and contacts across STFC.
- Senior Line Manager is consistent throughout the 2 years
  - Pete Oliver for RAL graduates
  - Wendi Liu for DL graduates
- All projects at RAL and DL open to all graduates.



## **Scientific Computing Graduate Scheme**

- Projects/Placements Process
- See Graduate Project Allocation (sharepoint.com)
- Call for projects in Jan for starting in March
- Call for projects in July for starting in September
- Graduates self select projects with guidance from SLM and any departmental priorities.
- Projects/Placements staff time funded from your existing funding sources
- Attendance at Conferences & Project meetings encouraged and funded by Scientific Computing



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