

# Midlands Integrative Biosciences Training Partnership

## Funded PhD Opportunities

**Deadline:** January 31, 2015

**Number of Studentships available:** 30

**Stipend:** £ 13,863 per annum (plus additional travel allowance in year 1 and a laptop)

The Midlands Integrative Biosciences Training Partnership (MIBTP) is a BBSRC-funded doctoral training partnership between the universities of Warwick, Birmingham and Leicester. It delivers innovative, world-class research training across the Life Sciences to boost the growing Bioeconomy across the UK.

The projects fall under three **MIBTP themes** ([http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/cross\\_fac/mibtp/pgstudy/phd\\_opportunities/](http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/cross_fac/mibtp/pgstudy/phd_opportunities/)) :

- **Bioenergy and Industrial Biotechnology** ([http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/cross\\_fac/mibtp/areas\\_of\\_research/industrial\\_biotechnology/](http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/cross_fac/mibtp/areas_of_research/industrial_biotechnology/))
- **Food security** ([http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/cross\\_fac/mibtp/areas\\_of\\_research/food\\_security/](http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/cross_fac/mibtp/areas_of_research/food_security/))
- **Molecules, Cells and Systems** ([http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/cross\\_fac/mibtp/areas\\_of\\_research/systems\\_approaches/](http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/cross_fac/mibtp/areas_of_research/systems_approaches/))

At Birmingham projects are offered in the:

- **School of Biosciences** (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/postgraduate/courses/research/bio/biosciences.aspx>)
- **School of Chemistry** (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/postgraduate/courses/research/chemistry/chemistry-phd.aspx>)
- **School of Chemical Engineering** (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/postgraduate/courses/research/chemical-engineering/chemical-engineering-phd.aspx>)
- **College of Medical and Dental Sciences** (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/postgraduate/courses/research/mdslisting.aspx>)
- **School of Psychology** (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/postgraduate/courses/research/psych/psychology.aspx>)
- **School of Sport, Exercise and Rehabilitation Sciences** (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/postgraduate/courses/research/sportex/sport-exercise-sciences.aspx>)

**Download the list of Birmingham supervisors** ([/Documents/college-les/biosciences/BBSRC-supported-PhD-projects.pdf](#))

Students undertake an initial 10 weeks of training in the methods of modern integrative bioscience, followed by two 12-week mini-research projects, and one 12-week professional placement. Our **PhD training** ([http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/cross\\_fac/mibtp/pgstudy/trainingprogramme/](http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/cross_fac/mibtp/pgstudy/trainingprogramme/)) aims to produce mature, research-skilled graduates primed to succeed in their careers.

Students from a wide diversity of academic backgrounds are encouraged to apply. Everyone will join the training programme. You are encouraged to indicate a preference for particular universities and projects at the time of application so that we ensure recruitment into all topic areas, but final project choice is not essential at this time. PhD projects need not be finalized until training is completed and you have had the chance to experience different research environments. MIBTP welcomes those with creative drive in both theoretical (maths, physics or computer science) and experimental (biology, biomedicine, chemistry, or biotechnology) research.

In order to apply you must ensure that you are **eligible** ([http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/cross\\_fac/mibtp/pgstudy/phd\\_opportunities/application/](http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/cross_fac/mibtp/pgstudy/phd_opportunities/application/)) and then click on the School link above which will take you to our on-line application system. Apply for Full time PhD in Biosciences, Chemistry, etc, indicating that you wish to apply to the BBSRC MIBTP programme. If you are clear about which School you wish to work in and which supervisors/projects you wish to be considered for then please apply to that school or those Schools. If you simply want to join the programme without choosing a project then apply to [Biosciences] indicating that you wish to apply for **PhD in Biosciences** (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/courses/postgraduate/research/bio/biosciences.aspx>) and the BBSRC MIBTP programme without choosing a potential supervisor.

Please enter 'MIBTP' in the *Funding details* section of the application.

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