

ESRC Doctoral Training Centre Funding Application Guidance

Please read this document carefully prior to completing your application form. If you have any questions, please contact, Research Council Studentship Team (studentships@contacts.bham.ac.uk)

Completed application forms must be submitted to studentships@contacts.bham.ac.uk no later than **4pm, Wednesday 15th January 2014.**

Applicant Details

Name	Your full name and title goes here
Application ID number	This is your University of Birmingham application number that you received as part of applying for PhD (or Masters) study.
Nationality	Your nationality goes here. This is to confirm eligibility for funding
Have you been resident in the UK for the past three years?	This is also to confirm your eligibility for funding

Programme

School/Department	This is the University school where you plan to be based.
College	This is the College in which the school is based
PhD Programme Title	Please put your PhD programme here along with the programme number
ESRC Subject Area Pathway	Referring to the approved pathway document, please put the subject pathway and the discipline pathway here
ESRC Discipline Pathway	
Masters year included?	If you are applying for a 1+3 award, made up of a Masters year followed by PhD study, please indicate this here.
Proposed mode of Study (FT/PT)	Indicate here if you wish to study full time or part time
Proposed supervisor	If you have made contact with the school or academics in the department and have a supervisor in mind please put their details here

Qualifications

Postgraduate Degree (subject and classification)	Detail any postgraduate degrees that you hold, the subject and classification. Please also indicate the awarding institution. Certified transcripts need to included in with the application.
Awarding institution	
Undergraduate Degree (subject and classification)	Detail any undergraduate degrees that you hold, the subject and classification. Please also indicate the awarding institution. Certified transcripts need to included in with the application.
Awarding institution	
Details of any awards or prizes received	Detail here any additional honours, awards, or prizes that you have received whilst an undergraduate or postgraduate student

Research Proposal

Please provide a research proposal (max. 800 words).

Your research proposal should be placed here. Proposals should be made in non-specialist language as the selection panel is made up of academics from a range of subject areas. Maximum of 800 words.

Supporting Statement

Please provide a statement to supporting your application, commenting on your motivation for PhD research, the original contribution to be made, and reason for choosing the University of Birmingham (max. 1,000 words).

A personal statement supporting your application should be put here. This is your opportunity to provide further information on your reasons and motivations for study, what contribution your research will make, and your reasons for undertaking your research at the University of Birmingham. Maximum of 1,000 words.

Academic Referees

Please provide two academic referees who can comment on your suitability for research. Please contact your referees asking them to provide references directly to studentships@contacts.bham.ac.uk by the 15th January deadline. It is the applicant's responsibility to request the required references.

Referee One		Referee Two
Title		Please provide the details of your two referees. We will match this to references received. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that references are sent to the University. The university will not request or chase references.
Name		
Institution		
Address		
Telephone number		
Email address		
Capacity known to you		

Application Checklist

Please check the application check list to ensure that you have included all of the required information. Incomplete applications will not be considered for funding.

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