

Deaf Education Centenary Bursary

The University of Manchester is pleased to offer student bursaries of £1,500 for up to two individuals in 2020/21 to be able to progress their PG Diploma Deaf Education qualification through to the completion of an MSc in Deaf Education.

The bursary marks 100 years of Deaf Education at Manchester, the longest running provider of Teacher of the Deaf training in the UK.

The purpose of the bursary is to enable students who have completed the PGDip to undertake research which will contribute to the development of knowledge in the field.

We are continuously committed to raising standards in the profession, and the development of this scheme in collaboration with our partner The Ewing Foundation is one of the ways we are able to do this.

The £1,500 award is contributed towards the full fee for MSc study. Students are expected to make arrangements for payment of the remaining balance.

Eligibility

The University of Manchester is looking to support students to continue their studies who have a passion for deaf education and can meet the following criteria.

Applicants must:

- hold a Postgraduate Diploma in Deaf Education (or be about to receive the award in the summer 2020 graduation period);
- have received their PGDip from Manchester. We cannot accept learners with diplomas from other institutions onto the MSc module;
- be within the prescribed timescales to complete their MSc study (this can be checked with the University administration team).

How to apply

Please apply by email using a Word document in standard font starting your name, address, mobile and email address. Please note the years studied at The University of Manchester on your application.

The application should cover the following:

1. Overview of research interest (maximum 800 words in length): this statement enables us to understand what you anticipate your interest in research to be. We do not expect applicants to have a fully worked out research proposal. We would like,

however, to understand the topic you are interested in researching and what methodology may be used in researching your chosen topic.

2. Statement considering applicability of the work to the field (maximum 500 words in length: this statement enables us to understand how you think your chosen topic will support raising standards for deaf children and young people/the profession.
3. Personal statement (maximum 500 words in length): this statement should cover your present position in the field (i.e. if you are working with deaf children, where and in what context) and any particular strengths you believe you would bring to the project. You are able to present relevant evidence from your previous study at Manchester if this is applicable.

The completed document should be emailed to PGT_HCDH@manchester.ac.uk by **29 May 2020**.

Selection procedure

The selection will be undertaken by a panel comprising University academic staff. A representative of The Ewing Foundation will also be present on the panel.

The chair of the panel will request a grade transcript from PGDip study for all applicants from the Postgraduate Office. The decision will be based on both the application and the grade transcript

The decision made by the panel is final. There is no remit for appeal.