

**Faculty of Science and Engineering** 

POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH

WELCOME TALK

# PROSPECTIVE APPLICANT WEBINAR

Wednesday 17 January 1pm – 2pm



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RESEARCH WITH **PURPOSE** 

**MAKE LIFE-CHANGING BREAKTHROUGHS** 

**FOLLOW IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF BRILLIANT RESEARCHERS** 

**RESEARCH AN AREA** YOU'RE PASSIONATE ABOUT

**SUPPORT FROM AN EXPERT SUPERVISORY TEAM** 

**FLEXIBLE PATHWAY** 

**STRONG INDUSTRY** LINKS

**ACCELERAT E** YOUR EUTURE

**TOMORROW** 

YOUR REPUTATION AND RESEARCH **ALONGSIDE WORK** OR HOME COMMITMENTS

**EVERYONE** IS WELCOME

**GAIN EXPERIECE, BUILD** 

PROFILE

**WORLD-LEADING RESEARCH INSTITUTE** 

£1 **BILLION** 

**WORLD CLASS FACILITIES** 

IASTERPLAN

**DIVERSE COMMUNITY** 

**CAMPUS HELLO** 2012 - 22



### THINGS TO CONSIDER





Which subject inspires you?



Which aspect of that subject are you so passionate about that you'd want to study it for the next 3 – 4 years?



Do you have your own idea for a project, or are you attracted by an available/example project?



Do you know someone who could, or would, supervise you?



How are you going to fund your research?



### **PROJECTS**

The University of Manchester

#### How do I find a project?

- Advertised research projects (on our website or Find a PhD)
- Propose your own research project
- Centres for Doctoral Training (CDT)
  - Four-year integrated research degree
  - Opportunity to collaborate with other institutions
  - CDTs for 2024 entry to be announced soon
- Dual and Joint Awards
  - Explore the world and carry out your research in a different country
  - Partner institutions include China's Tsinghua University, the University of Melbourne and Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur





### **FUNDING**

The University of Manchester

## **President's Scholarship**

- Eligibility: UK and international students
- For the highest calibre of researcher to work on challenging research projects in a world leading research environment
- 3.5 years fully funded inc. tuition at UK or int. rate
- Annual maintenance

## Dean's Scholarship

- Eligibility: UK and international students
- For world's brightest minds to find solutions that make a difference
- 3.5 years fully funded inc. tuition at UK or int. rate
- Annual maintenance stipend and £1,000 a year RTSG Transferable skill training programme

Application deadline: 31 January and 31 March

#### PGR Teaching Associate Scholarship

- Eligibility: UK/non-Visa students
- Teach, study and learn,
   PhD scholarship with
   teaching contract
- fully funded inc. tuition
- Min. combined teaching salary and stipend of £23,406 /annum

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## Diversity Scholarships

School of Natural Sciences & Black Future Engineering

- Eligibility: Identify as black/black heritage, UK residents, eligible for home fees
- Supports black/black heritage students into engineering or natural science PhDs
- 3.5 years fully funded inc. tuition
- Annual maintenance stipend

Application deadline: Rolling monthly



### IS THIS YOU?



ON TRACK FOR A 2:1?

**CURIOUS?** 

PASSIONATE?

**TENACIOUS?** 

STRONG COMMUNICATION SKILLS?

PROBLEM SOLVER?

DEMONSTRATEABLE RESEARCH POTENTIAL?

YES?

WHATEVER YOUR GENDER, AGE, ETHNICITY OR DISABILITY, YOUR TOMORROW COULD BE POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH!



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ADMISSIONS AND APPLICATION TALK

JAMES LISTER
PGR Admissions Coordinator





# **APPLICATIONS**

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### **COMPLETING YOUR APPLICATION**

- Ensure you name potential supervisor/s in your application.
- Choose your preferred supervisor carefully if you are not applying for an advertised project use our research pages to find potential supervisors whose area of interest and expertise closely match your research topic.
- Ensure you upload all the required documents with your application to avoid delays in consideration of your application.
- Watch out for emails requesting additional information.
- Approach your referees to ensure they are expecting a reference request from us.



## MANCHESTER 1824 HOW TO APPLY

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#### 1. Choose your research area

The first step is to identify a project or research area that you're passionate about.

#### 2. Find a supervisor

Find an academic member of staff with relevant experience and contact them to discuss your research area.

### 6. Interviews

All students will be considered for interview (it is competitive for funded places).

#### 5. Apply online

Include as much information as you can in the application, so that it can go quickly to the right supervisor or research group.

#### 3. Find **Funding**

Securing funding can be difficult. Make sure you start your search as soon as possible. Your supervisor may be able to help.

#### 4. Write supporting statement

Check the department's website for details of what you should include.

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### APPLYING FOR FUNDING

- Indicate that you wish to be considered for funding in the application form
- Discuss funding opportunities with your proposed supervisor.
- Check application deadlines varies depending on funding source.
- Two application windows for Faculty awards:
  - Application deadlines: 31 January and 31 March
- Nomination and selection process varies depending on funding source most funded scholarships will involve panel interviews

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## WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

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## 1. Initial Assessment

Initial assessment carried out by the Admissions Team

## 2. Academic consideration

Complete applications referred for academic consideration.

#### 3. Interview

Interview with potential supervisor and independent internal interviewer.

#### 6. Offer

Details of the offer are agreed by the potential supervisor/s and Senior Reviewer.

## 5. Funding interview

Shortlisted candidates are invited to an interview with an independent funding apanel.

## 4. Funding nomination

Academic supervisor can nominate candidates for Faculty or Departmental funding.

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## **GOT A QUESTION?**



# Email fse.doctoralacademy.admissions @manchester.ac.uk



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MEET OUR POSTGRADUATE RESEARCHERS Q&A PANEL

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SCOTT HEATH JAMES LISTER

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# THANK YOU

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