

The University of Manchester

### PGR-WHERETO BEGIN?

DOCTORAL ACADEMY
HUMANITIES AMBASSADORS
WEDS 12 JUNE 2024

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH







\*Please note this session will be recorded



#### **CONSIDERING PHD / OTHER RESEARCH STUDY FOR 2025?**

**INTRODUCTION TO PGR** 

**Anthony Morris, Faculty of Humanities** 

**APPLICATION GUIDANCE** 

Paul Greenham, Doctoral Academy

**Q&A WITH OUR AMBASSADORS** 

**Atefeh Einali (PhD Music Composition)** 

**Timothy Cheuk Yin Chan (PhD History)** 

**Haoyue Guo (PhD Geography)** 

**Amy Todd (PhD English Literature)** 

Anuradha Ganapathy (PhD Development Policy and Management)

**Bulbul Prakash (PhD Politics)** 

QUESTIONS CAN BE
SUBMITTED THROUGHOUT
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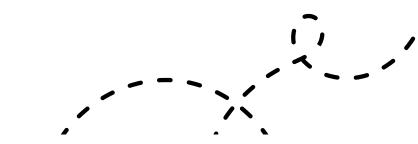
#### THE 'DA' LOOKS AFTER YOUR:

- APPLICATION
- **ENROLMENT**
- PROGRESSION
- WELFARE
- THESIS
- GRADUATION



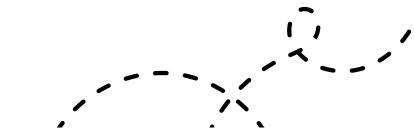


#### What is a PhD?



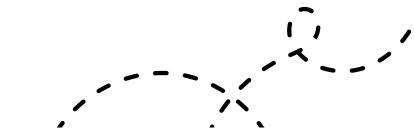


#### PhD vs MPhil vs Professional Doctorate What's the difference?



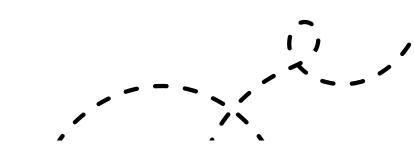


# Do you need a Masters to apply for a PhD?



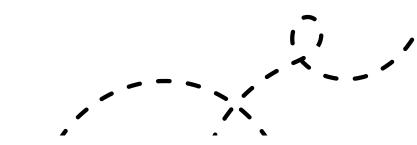


### How long is a PhD?









#### Stages of Admission (PGR)



### Identifying Your Supervisor

Your supervisor will be an academic expert connected to your research interest. They will guide and provide feedback on your research. Finding the right supervisor is a key part of starting research study.

Search by School or Division /
Department. Many school
websites will showcase their
academic staff by research
specialism in their subject.

You can also search using keywords on our research portal research.manchester.ac.uk/
Here you can read the publication history of potential supervisors

Supervisor-led Project

Database

Small number of specifically funded research projects advertised between October – May. There will be email alerts and web updates when

they are advertised.

### Approaching Your Supervisor

Develop your research proposal and project title.

Email and attach your draft proposal to discuss potential supervision.

Be brief! But show your awareness of their research and how it alligns with your research.

Indicate which programme you wish to be considered for.

Include a CV that outlines your academic/ career background.

Contact no more than 2-3 supervisors.

#### Application Process



Before you apply review all guidance thoroughly

Complete the online application form

Upload degree transcripts and certificates

**Evidence of English language proficiency** 

**Upload a Research Proposal** 

Some programmes require a writing sample (this will be clearly stated on the course profile)

**Upload your CV** 

Provide two referee details on your application form ensuring at least one is from an academic institution

#### Funding Opportunities



Numerous funding opportunities will be available across the Doctoral Academy. Some will be available across all Humanities and some will be school-specific.

There will be a new package of scholarships available for 2024. Funding opportunities are listed on the course profile as well as <u>Studentship and Funding</u> page.

Targeted Studentships are aimed at increasing equality, diversity and inclusion, such as:

- School of Arts, Languages and Cultures New Generation PhD Studentships
- School of Environment, Education and Development SERE (Enhancing Racial Equality) Studentship
- School of Social Sciences PhD Studentship with the Stuart Hall Foundation

UKRI funded opportunities such as ESRC and AHRC

Humanitarian Scholarship to support those fleeing conflict and persecution by offering access to higher education

China Scholarship Council – University of Manchester joint scheme

#### Deadlines (Funding & Application)

Funding deadlines and opportunities are reviewed year-on-year. As guidance, these were the previous deadlines:

Alliance Manchester Business School (15 March 2024)

School of Social Sciences (01 December 2023)

School of Arts, Languages and Cultures (12 January 2024)

Department of Philosophy (12 January 2024)

School of Education, Environment and Development (19 January 2024)

Although most funding opportunities will close early in the year, the deadline for September entry will typically be the end of June.

School of Social Sciences and School of Arts, Languages and Cultures have two entry points per year which will be January and September.

Typically, the deadline for January entry is 30th September.

#### Over to our ambassadors...

We will use the remainder of the session to go through your questions for our ambassadors!

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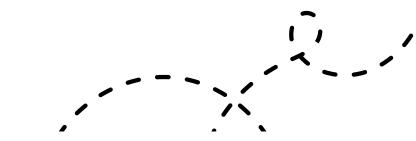
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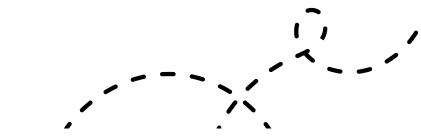


### Why do you do a PhD?





## How did you find your supervisor?





## How do you prepare a research proposal?



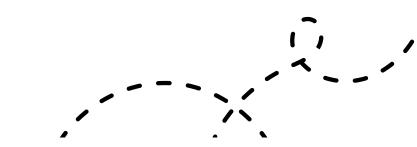


### How do you fund a PhD?





### From the audience



#### PGR Virtual Open Week



The Faculty of Humanities Virtual Open Week runs across October. Each School will have their own session.

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### Thankyou



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