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The University of Manchester

PGR - HOW TO APPLY

DOCTORAL ACADEMY

HUMANITIES OPEN WEEK

14-18 OCTOBER 2024

FACULTY OF HUMANITIES
POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH

*Please note this session will be recorded

TODAY'S SESSION

CONSIDERING PHD / OTHER RESEARCH STUDY FOR 2025?

APPLICATION GUIDANCE

Zoe Pye, Doctoral Academy

Q&A WITH OUR AMBASSADORS

Atefeh Einali (PhD Music Composition)

Timothy Cheuk Yin Chan (PhD History)

Anuradha Ganapathy (PhD Development Policy and Management)

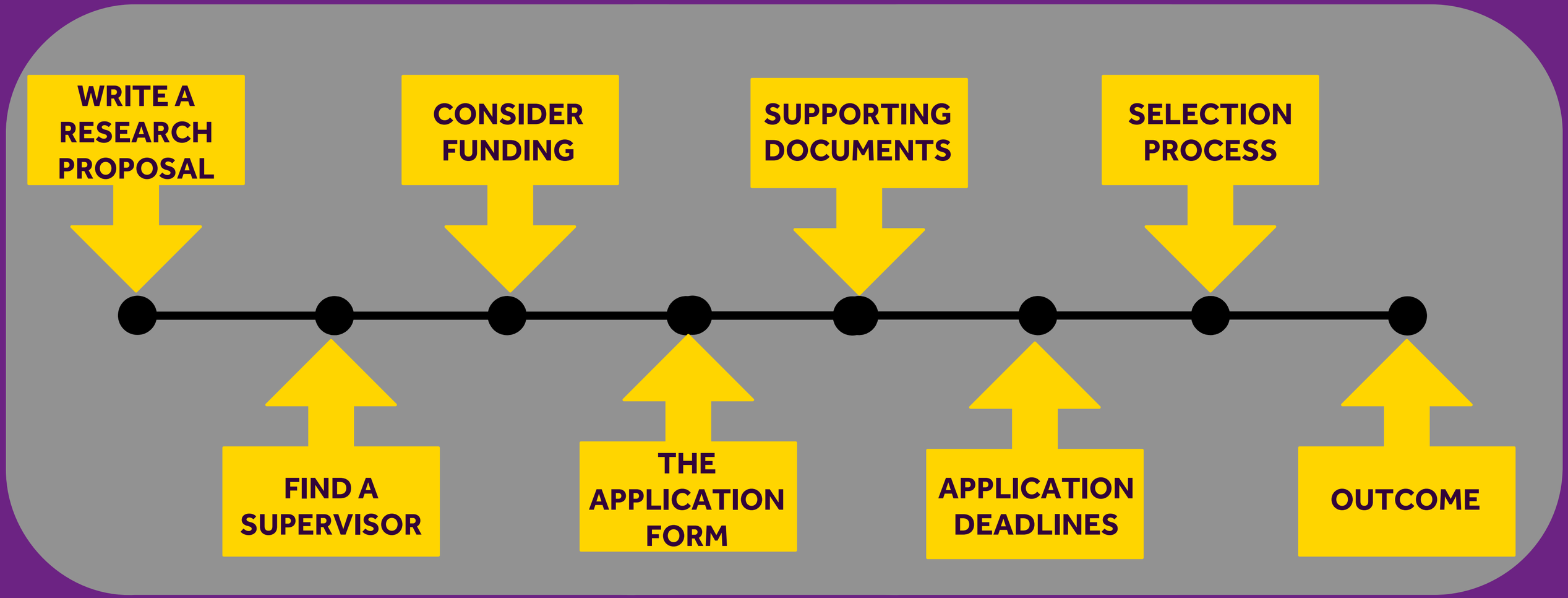
Bulbul Prakash (PhD Politics)

Luman Zhou (PhD Education)

Maheshi Gunawardane (PhD Philosophy)

QUESTIONS CAN BE SUBMITTED THROUGHOUT THE SESSION ON THE Q&A FUNCTION

STAGES OF PGR ADMISSION



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BEFORE YOU APPLY: WRITE A RESEARCH PROPOSAL

Research questions, intentions, context and contribution to literature

Research design, methodology, sources, data collection, timescale

Ethical considerations, research participants, responsibilites

RESEARCH PROPOSAL GUIDANCE

- Alliance Manchester Business School
- School of Arts, Languages and Cultures
- School of Environment, Education and Development
- School of Social Sciences (all programmes except Economics)
- Economics

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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.

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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.

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ESRC NWSSDTP Research Council

University of Manchester funding

External funding: eg. employer, government or external party

Self-funding

AHRC NWCDTP Research Council

Targeted studentships (equality, diversity and inclusion)

UoM- China Scholarship Council joint scheme

School PhD Studentships

Department-level studentships

President's Doctoral Scholar awards

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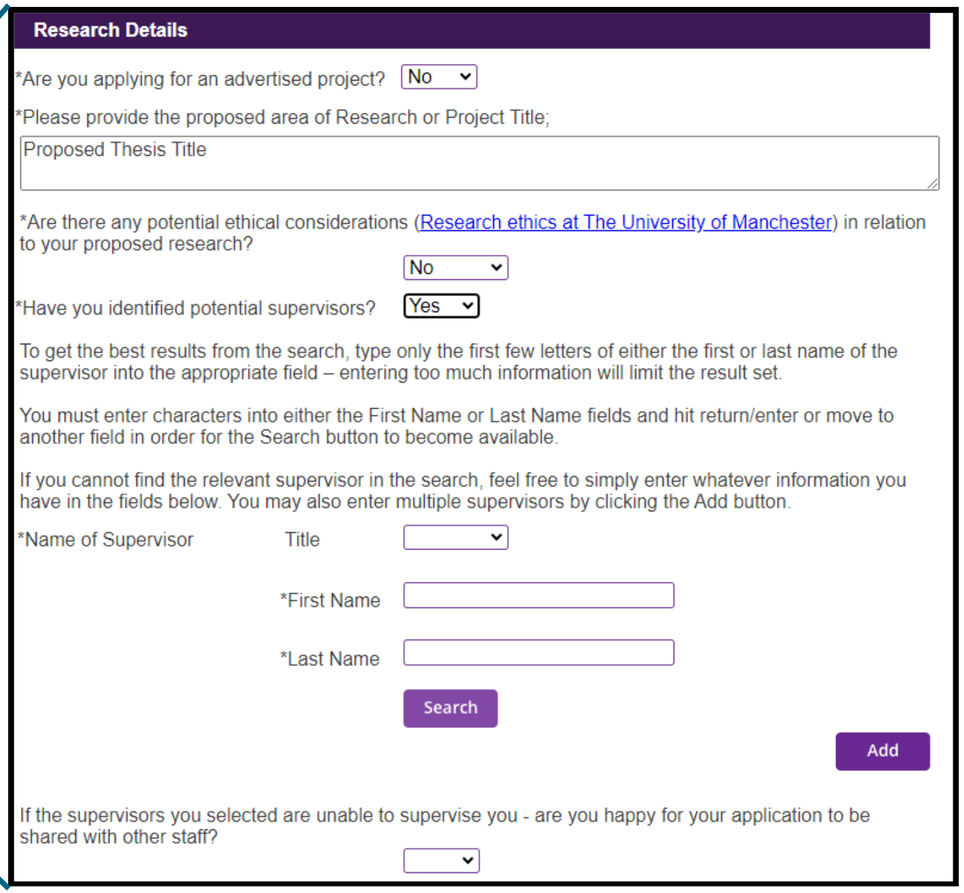

Research Details

*Are you applying for an advertised project? No

*Please provide the proposed area of Research or Project Title;

Proposed Thesis Title

*Are there any potential ethical considerations (Research ethics at The University of Manchester) in relation to your proposed research?

No

*Have you identified potential supervisors? Yes

To get the best results from the search, type only the first few letters of either the first or last name of the supervisor into the appropriate field – entering too much information will limit the result set.

You must enter characters into either the First Name or Last Name fields and hit return/enter or move to another field in order for the Search button to become available.

If you cannot find the relevant supervisor in the search, feel free to simply enter whatever information you have in the fields below. You may also enter multiple supervisors by clicking the Add button.

*Name of Supervisor Title

*First Name

*Last Name

Search

Add

If the supervisors you selected are unable to supervise you - are you happy for your application to be shared with other staff?

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Funding Sources

*Have you secured or do you intend to apply for funding to cover the cost of your studies?
If you intend to fund your studies yourself, please select No.

Yes

*Please indicate the type of funding: Research Council

Awarding body of your funding: ESRC NWSSDTP

*What is the status of your funding?: Intend to Appl

What does your funding cover?:

What is the value of your funding? (GBP) £: 0.00

What is the duration of your funding?: 0

Any other comments regarding your funding

*Please indicate the type of funding: Uni of Manchester Scheme — Delete

Awarding body of your funding: SoSS School Studentships

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September entry

You can submit an application for September 2025 entry until **30 June 2025**, though we would recommend that you apply as early as possible.

Each of our schools have an application deadline for internal funding consideration. They are:

- Alliance Manchester Business School: 1 December 2024
- School of Arts, Languages and Cultures: 13 January 2025
- School of Education, Environment and Development: 20 January 2025
- School of Social Sciences: 1 December 2024

January entry

A January 2025 start date is available for selected programmes in the School of Social Sciences and the School of Arts, Languages and Cultures. There are no internal funding competitions at this time, so this entry point is open to externally funded and self-funded applicants. The deadline to submit your programme application for January 2026 entry is 30 September 2025.

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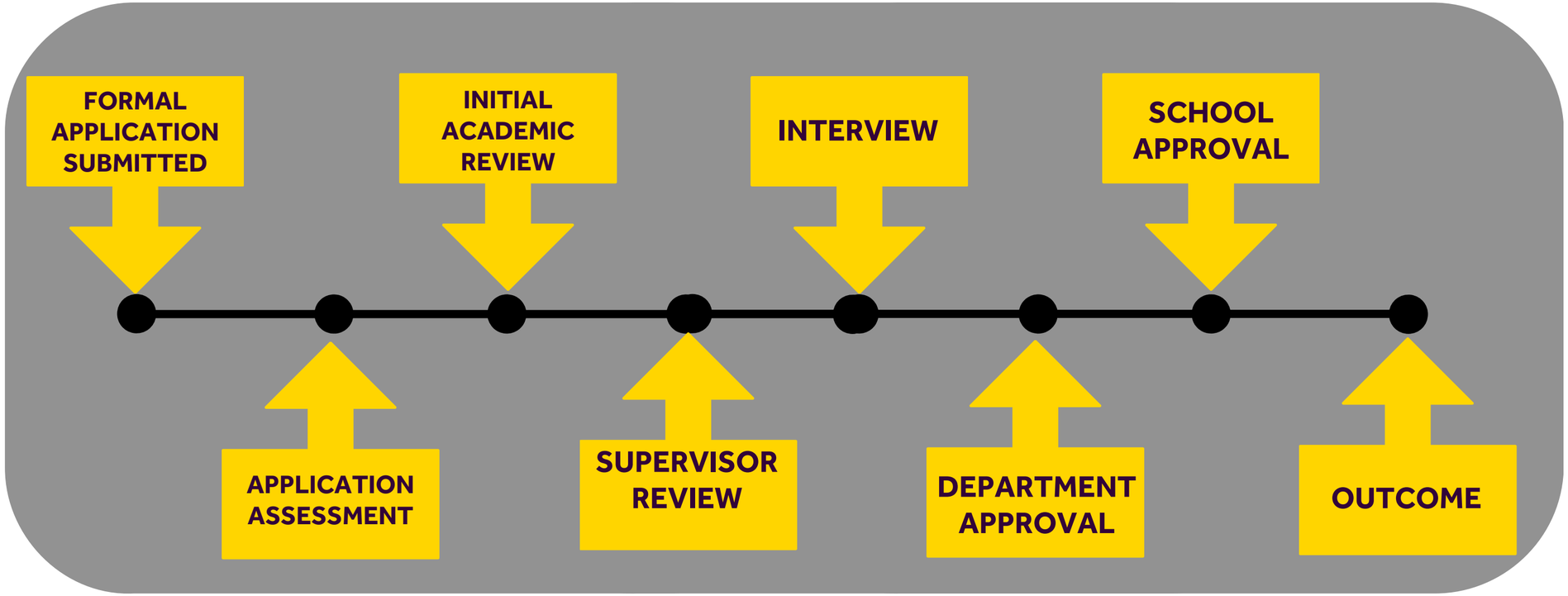

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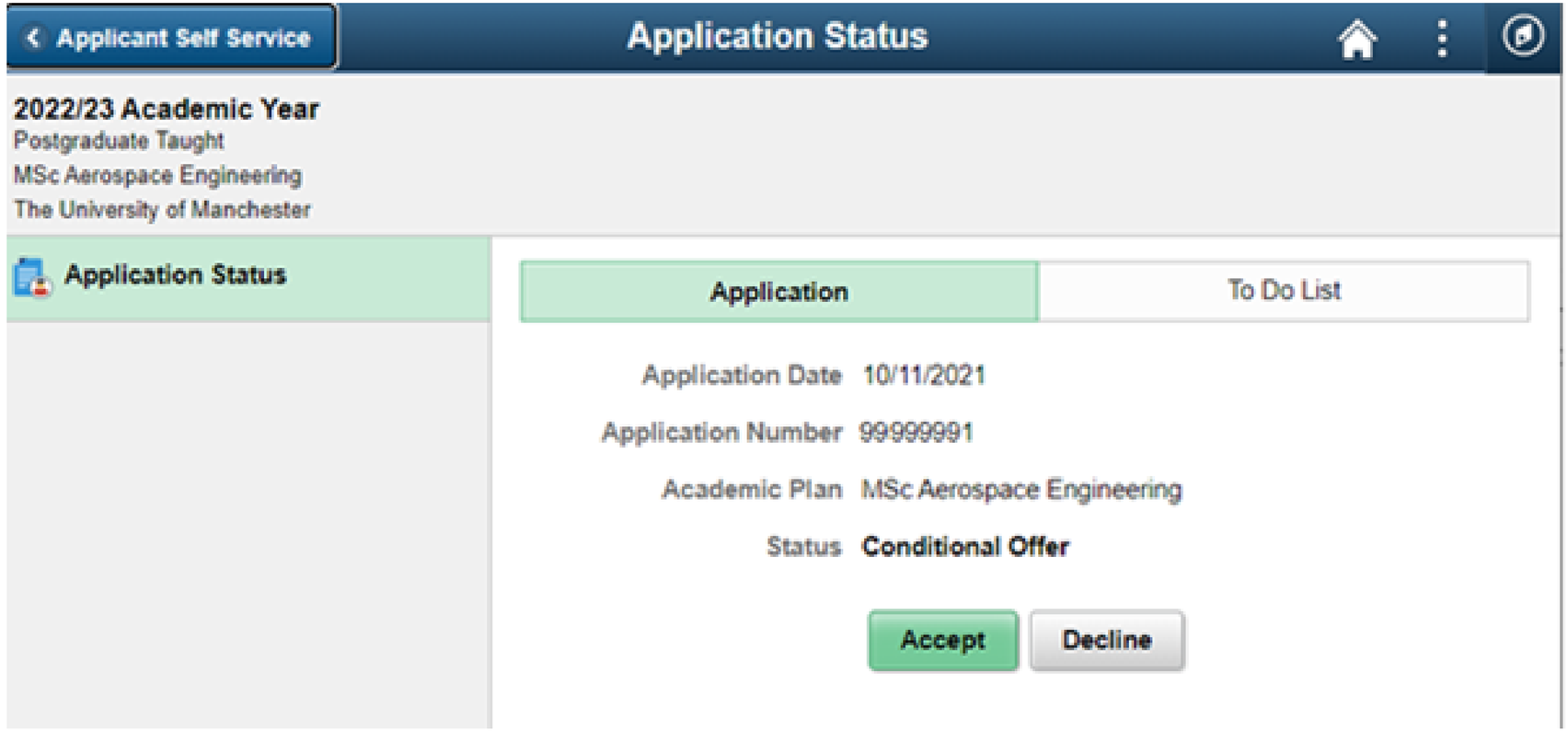
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