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South Asia Webinar

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TODAY'S PANEL

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IS THIS YOU?

ON TRACK FOR A 2:1?

CURIOUS?

TENACIOUS?

STRONG COMMUNICATION SKILLS?

PROBLEM SOLVER?

**DEMONSTRATEABLE
RESEARCH POTENTIAL?**

YES?

**Whatever your gender, age, ethnicity or disability, your
tomorrow could be postgraduate research!**

**CHEMICAL
ENGINEERING**

CHEMISTRY

**EARTH AND
ENVIRONMENTAL
SCIENCES**

**FACULTY OF
SCIENCE AND
ENGINEERING**

**MECHANICAL,
AEROSPACE
AND CIVIL
ENGINEERING**

**SCHOOL OF
ENGINEERING**

**SCHOOL OF
NATURAL
SCIENCES**

**PHYSICS AND
ASTRONOMY**

**ELECTRICAL
AND
ELECTRONIC
ENGINEERING**

**COMPUTER
SCIENCE**

MATERIALS

MATHEMATICS

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?

HOW TO FIND A PROJECT

Search advertised
research projects
(on our website or
Find a PhD)



Propose your
own research
project





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CENTRES FOR DOCTORAL TRAINING

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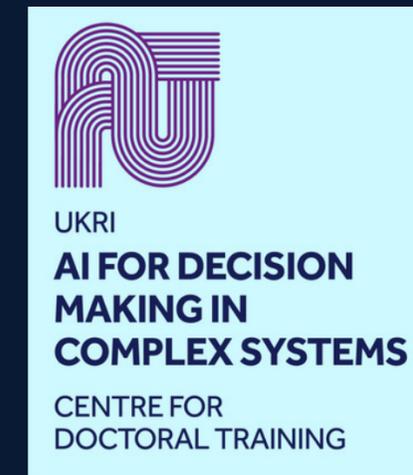
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EPSRC Centre for Doctoral Training in SATURN (Skills and Training Underpinning a Renaissance in Nuclear)



UKRI AI Centre for Doctoral Training in Decision Making for Complex Systems



All CDTs currently recruiting for September 2025

HENRY ROYCE INSTITUTE
EPSRC Centre for Doctoral Training Developing National Capability for Materials 4.0

EPSRC Centre for Doctoral Training in Robotics and AI for Net Zero



EPSRC Centre for Doctoral Training in 2D Materials for Tomorrow (2DMoT)

DUAL AND JOINT AWARDS

Joint-award
with IISc
Bangalore



Dual-award
with IIT
Kharagpur



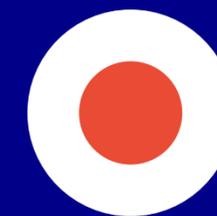
Dual-award
with the
University of
Melbourne



A*STAR
split-site
award
(Singapore)



Dual-award
with the
University of
Tokyo





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ADMISSIONS

James Lister

PGR Admissions Coordinator

HOW TO APPLY

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

3) Find funding

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

6) Interviews

All students will be considered for an 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

4) Write supporting statement

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

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

FUNDING

President's Doctoral Scholarship



International students



3.5 years fully funded
inc. tuition at
international rate



Annual maintenance
stipend

Dean's Doctoral Scholarship



International students



3.5 years fully funded
inc. tuition at
international rate



Annual maintenance
stipend and
£1,000 a year RTSG

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 awards



Nomination and selection process varies depending on funding source - most funded scholarships will involve panel interviews



WHAT HAPPENS NEXT?

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) Offers

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

5) Funding interviews

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

4) Funding nomination

Academic supervisor can nominate candidates for Faculty or Departmental funding.

GOT A QUESTION?

Drop us an email
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Q&A

**Drop any questions you've
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THANK YOU