**FACULTY OF BIOLOGY, MEDICINE AND HEALTH**

**Bicentennial Early Career Fellowship**

**Expression of Interest Form – Stage 1 application**

*Please keep within the space provided*

**PLEASE COMPLETE THE APPLICATION IN FONT NO SMALLER THAN 11 PT**

We are aiming to support masked assessment of the applications. This can be challenging for internal awards, but we are exploring some approaches this year. **Please enter your name and contact details below, but these will be removed for assessment.**

Please read instructions for other sections carefully and note where we have asked you to omit information to support this pilot.

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| *For office use only*  *Application ID* |  |

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| Please state your current employer |  |  |
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| If you are currently employed by the University of Manchester please provide your employee / staff number (You can find this on your staff card) |  |  |

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| Please confirm that you will be able to take up this award before 31 Jan 2027 , if successful |  | Yes/No |

**Academic Education**

To be eligible for this Fellowship, applicants must have either:

* submitted their thesis and be awaiting their viva;
* be in the process of submitting corrections following a viva;
* been awarded their PhD (or be waiting for confirmation of this award).

All applicants must hold a PhD before they can start this award by 31st January 2027.

*Please record all academic qualifications below. Please list most recent first. If relevant, include postgraduate clinical diplomas.*

*It is essential that you**state the month and year your PhD was awarded (this is not your viva date, but the day of PhD award following the viva), or flag if you are still waiting for your PhD to be awarded.*

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| **Institution** | **Qualification Gained** | **Subject** | **Completion Year (and month/year for PhD). If waiting for viva or confirmation of results following viva, please record this and indicate when approximately you expect the PhD to be awarded.** |
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| Are you a health or care professional currently in practice? If so, please provide details of speciality and current training stage where relevant. |  |  |
| For medical applicants, have you completed CCT? |  | **Yes / No** |

**Employment**

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| Title of current academic post |  |  |

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| Date of appointment |  |  |

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| Expected end date |  |  |

**Employment History** (*Please list most recent first*)

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**Career Breaks**

Please provide details of any career breaks for example time away from work, parental or long term sick-leave below. Please also record periods of part time work and time away from research after your PhD that you would like us to consider.

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| **Date from (month and year)** | **Date to (month and year)** | **Any further details about this break you would like to add** *(please refer to both maternity and paternity leave as parental leave if possible)* |
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Please record how many months of active postdoctoral research activity you have had since being awarded your PhD, taking career breaks and time away from research into account. If you have not yet been awarded your PhD, please leave this blank

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| **Other information relevant to your application**  We are keen to encourage a positive research culture and appoint diverse individuals with the best potential for future momentum and trajectory, regardless of background. Please use this space to detail any information, if you are comfortable to do so, that supports your application, if relevant, explaining aspects which may have curtailed your opportunities to date. For example, these might be financial, cultural, educational or other factors which have presented a barrier to your progress but not your potential***.*** (**No more than 200 words**). |
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**Additional Information**

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| **Research experience**  Please summarise your research experience to date (**250 words max**).  If you intend to take up your award before completing your health professional training (where applicable), please state why you are applying to this scheme. (**additional 100 words**) |
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| **Fellowship applications and/or other grants held as PI or named co-applicant** *please give details of all applications made previously, including unsuccessful applications (but clearly note these) and any currently submitted applications. Include* ***type of award****,* ***funding body****,* ***result*** *and* ***award amount******if applicable****.*  *Please do not include your name in the details provided, just the information above and your role e.g. lead applicant or fellowship applicant, Co-I and so on.* |
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| **Your Publications** *Please include papers on which you are an author that have been published, accepted for publication, and/or have been submitted to a public repository. Do not include papers that are in preparation, under review or have only been submitted to a journal.*  *Please do not include your name, rather please give the number of authors on the output, and your authorship position.*  *Each entry should then include the year, output title, journal title and a DOI or relevant identifier. For each entry, please indicate your role in the work being reported in no more than 2 sentences. Please see the example provided below:* |
| Example: Eight authors, last author. 2025 Releasing time to deliver care: a mixed methods evaluation of the implementation of enhanced midwifery continuity of carer. BMJ Open. doi: 10.1136/bmjopen-2024-095509. Responsible for study conceptualisation, funding acquisition, designing study and co-leadership of project. |

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| **Academic and research-related prizes and awards.** *Please include dates* |
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| Please summarise why you want to undertake your Fellowship in at the University of Manchester, in FBMH. **(no more than 300 words)** |
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| Please indicate **at least one** UoM permanent staff member who has agreed to support your fellowship *(they will be required to write you a statement of support if you are selected to submit a full application).* |
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**Research Proposal**

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| **A. Title of proposed project** *(max 200 characters)* **:** |  |
| **B. Period of support requested** *(in months; maximum of 36 months)* **:** |  |
| **C: School and Division anticipated to host you delivering this research** |  |

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| **Lay summary of research plan:** Your application will be reviewed by people with a range of disciplines. Please provide a summary of the work you describe below in a way that the aims, activities and anticipated deliverables can be understood by an intelligent lay person and without any figures or diagrams. Please use only essential abbreviations and avoid technical terms or define these clearly when used **(Max 200 words).**  *Lay abstracts are an important part of the review process. It is wise not to assume people will know your specific area or science or why your work is important. This summary should be written so that an informed lay person could understand your planned research. There is a range of guidance available, including these tips from the Academy of Medical Sciences - https://acmedsci.ac.uk/more/news/10-tips-for-writing-a-lay-summary* |
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| **Please select which of the key themes listed below your research plans align with.** *If your research aligns with more than one theme, please assign an order of relevance to each theme. 1 being the most relevant.*  Tackling the causes and consequences of health inequalities  Addressing Impacts of Climate Change on our Biology, Health, & Society  Advancing Discovery Through Interdisciplinary Life Sciences Research  Empowering Our Research Through Advanced Data Science, Digital Technologies and AI |

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| **Research Proposal**  Please set out the research you propose to undertake during the award. You should address the following:   * A brief outline of the challenge your project aims to address; * Aims and objectives, or research questions; * Brief outline of planned research and anticipated deliverables   *Please do not exceed 800 words, 11 point font.*  *A maximum of one table and/or one figure can be included (although these are not required). Figure and table legends will not contribute to the work count but should be a maximum of 30 words each.*  ***Any text exceeding the word limit will be redacted and not considered during the review process.***  *A maximum of 20 references can be cited and listed in the section below. Please use a numbering system for the references.* |
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| **Reference list**  *Maximum 20 references, to include author, year, paper title, journal title and DOI. If you cite your own publications, please do not include the author names, just the number of authors and your position in the author list, followed by year, paper title, journal title and DOI.* |
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Please complete this [anonymous survey](https://www.qualtrics.manchester.ac.uk/jfe/form/SV_5pONhaw5QzfgtqS) to assist with equality and diversity monitoring. Your responses will not be used in the decision-making process.