# **Manchester Metropolitan University**

# Research Application Supplementary Form

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| **Application Information** | | |
| Research Project/ Scholarship Reference number (if applicable) | |  |
| Title of Project |  | |
| **Research Degree Programme** | | |
| Please state the subject area in which you wish to undertake the research: | | |
| Please indicate if you have had preliminary discussions with a member of staff within the University to discuss a research project. Name of member of staff: | | |
| If you are applying in response to a specific advertisement for a scholarship, please indicate:   * Where you saw the advert: * If unsuccessful in an application for a scholarship, do you wish to be contacted about self-funded research degree opportunities? | | |
| **Tuition Fees** | | |
| Who is expected to pay your tuition fees? (Refer to the guidance at the end of this form) | | |
| **Further Information**  Have you previously been registered for a postgraduate research degree in this or any other institution?  Yes  No   1. *\*(If yes please specify which course and institution.)*   *I completed a PhD in Education at the University of Warwick at 2014.*  Have you made an application for admission to any other research programme in this or any other institution?   1. Yes  No (If yes, please specify which course and institution.)   I have made an application for admission for a self-funded part-time PhD in Mental Health at the University of Nottingham | | |
| **Details of previous research experience** | | |
| This can include, but is not limited to, research undertaken as part of an undergraduate or masters qualification. Please provide evidence of how your past research activity maps onto your proposed project or, for specific project applications, the advertised post. Please also include any publications or outputs produced or connected to previous work experience. | | |
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| **Research Proposal** |
| This section provides key information for the assessment of your application. The assessors are interested in your ability to present your case clearly and concisely.  Please provide details of the general research area in which you would like to undertake research. If you are applying for a scholarship, please give information in the context of the project details provided.  Give a brief synopsis (c.500 words) of your personal research project and interest. You should use this section to discuss the research problems of questions you intend to address.  You should use the following headings to structure your case:   1. Brief title for your proposed programme of research 2. Your reasons and purposes for undertaking this project 3. Your research project 4. Training and preparation   *Please see further guidance at the end of this document* |
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| Do you intend to carry out your research in the UK?  Yes  No  Not Yet Known |

**Further guidance for your Research Proposal:**

1. Please give a brief title for your proposed programme of research
2. Your reasons and purposes for undertaking this project (c.100 words). State briefly why you wish to pursue this research project. How does your proposed work relate to what you have studied already? Where there is a significant overlap between your Master’s dissertation (if you completed one) and your doctoral study, you should demonstrate clearly how the project goes beyond your Master’s study. How does it relate to your eventual career aims?
3. Your research project (c.300 words). Give a brief synopsis of your proposed research project. The main thrust of this section should be the research problems or questions you intend to address. These should be clearly defined in your proposal. You should describe:

* The research problems or questions you intend to address.
* The research context in which those problems or questions are located. In describing the context, you should refer to the current state of knowledge and any recent debate on the subject.
* The particular contribution to knowledge and understanding in this area that you hope to make. You should explain why the work is important. The fact that an area has not been studied previously is not, in itself, a case for the proposal to be accepted. We are also seeking a description of relevance beyond the development of your own skills or experience, though this is important as well.
* The research methods and critical approaches that you plan to use to address the problems or questions you have set.
* The sources that you will use, if appropriate. You will need to state where these sources and materials are located and how these will be accessed. It is sometimes helpful to put forward alternative strategies or approaches if you are aware that problems might arise.
* You should say, as far as you can, how the project will develop over the period of study.

1. Training and preparation (c.100 words). Give a brief indication of the training and preparation you have already undertaken that is relevant to your proposed study. Please say what further training you will require. If you have already discussed your training needs with the university, include brief details and say how these needs will be met. For practice based subjects, you should include details of your professional or work experience (including relevant voluntary work or exhibitions). You should give a realistic assessment of the academic challenges you will face in undertaking the project, and say how you will overcome them.

**Who is expected to pay your tuition fees?**

Please tell us if you intend for your research degree to be funded by:

1. Research Council
2. University Scholarship
3. Industry
4. Part industry and part self-funded
5. Self-funded
6. NHS
7. Overseas government, university, industry or agency
8. Staff development/ departmental funding (Manchester Metropolitan University staff only)
9. Other (please state)
10. Not known