# Department of Sociology Doctoral Studentships 2023-24

The Department of Sociology is pleased to announce two Doctoral studentships for PGR starting in October 2023. Two awards will be made to outstanding postgraduate researchers whose work aligns with research themes of the Department of Sociology.  These can be seen here:

<https://www.surrey.ac.uk/department-sociology/research>

Studentships will cover, for three years or pro rata part time: full fees (at home or international rate), an annual stipend (c.£16,000), and a training grant of £500 per year.  Awards can be made to UK or international candidates. Applications will be assessed on:

* Personal statement
* Educational and professional achievements
* Feasibility and quality of the research proposal
* Fit to the Department of Sociology themes
* Fit to the proposed supervisory team

Funding application forms should be completed electronically and returned to

Louise Jones at [l.jones@surrey.ac.uk](mailto:l.jones@surrey.ac.uk)

The deadline for applications is 9th December 2022. Late applications will not be accepted

Please note that applications will go through a number of stages. We will assess the application forms on the above criteria and invite a shortlist to interview. Applicants also need to apply to the University of Surrey here:

<https://www.surrey.ac.uk/postgraduate/sociology-phd>

## Section 1: Personal Details

### Name and mode of study

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| Forename(s) | Surname | Mode of Study  *(Full or part time)* |
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### Contact Details

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| Email address: |  |
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## Section 2: Education and Qualifications

### Educational Experience

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| Institution | Degree Level and Title *(e.g., BSc Sociology)* | Degree Result / Anticipated Result | Dates  *(mm/yy – mm/yy)* |
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### Professional Experience

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| Job Title | Organisation | Dates  *(mm/yy – mm/yy)* | Relevant achievements |
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### Prizes and Other Outstanding Achievements

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| Award Year | Name/Details |
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## Section 3: Personal Statement

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| *Please use this space to explain how your previous experience has prepared you for doctoral research and this project in particular. Explain why you are applying for doctoral study. Explain how this PhD will support your career aspirations (maximum 250 - 500 words).* |
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## Section 4: Research Project Proposal

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| **Title of Research Project:** |
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| **Executive Summary:** *Describe your project in a way that can be understood by a non-expert audience (maximum 150 words).* |
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| **ProjectProposal*:*** *Please use this space to set out the proposal for the research project. Use this space to make clear now your proposed research is novel and will add to the literature in your field. Please avoid extended literature reviews. Set out the aims of the research and how you are to achieve them. Please pay particular attention to the research design and methodology that you are proposing, the shortlisting team will be focusing on feasibility of the project and the methods you propose to adopt. We suggest that the research design and methodology comprise half of the proposal (maximum 500 - 1000 words; including references).* |
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## Section 5: Supervision

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| Name of proposed Primary Supervisor: |  |

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| Name of proposed Secondary Supervisor: |  |

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| **Expertise of Supervisory Team:** *Please use this space to explain the relevance of the expertise of the supervisory team for the project (maximum 250 words).* |
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## Section 6: Department of Sociology research themes

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| Please outline the extent to which the project and student are aligned with the Department of Sociology research themes *(maximum 250 words).* |
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## Section 7: Applicant’s declaration

I confirm that the information I have provided in this form is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge at this date. I fully understand that it is my responsibility to ensure that all parts of my application are submitted in due time and that any missing information may render my application incomplete and ineligible.

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| Applicant Signature | Date |
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