Student-Led Application Form 2023

Doctoral College Studentship Award 7 (DCSA7)

This application from is to be used for the following studentship awards:

* Surrey Black Scholars Studentship Award 2023
* Breaking Barriers Studentship Award 2023

PhD Start Date: **October 2023**

Funding application forms should be completed electronically and returned to [phdstudentships@surrey.ac.uk](mailto:phdstudentships@surrey.ac.uk). Please see the Guidance Notes for further information on filling in this form.

When you apply for a place on your chosen PhD programme through Surrey Self Service, please also detail which studentship opportunity you will be applying for.

Application Form Deadline: **Friday 16 December** **2022** **at 23:59 GMT**

You will receive a confirmation email within five business days of submitting your studentship application form. Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted.

**Section 1: Personal Details**

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| Forename(s) | Surname | Mode of Study | University Number \* |
|  |  | Full-Time / Part-Time |  |
| Do you meet the university English Language Requirements? \*\* | | | Yes / No *(delete appropriate)* |

\*Also known as an URN, a 7-digit number usually emailed to you within 48 hours of creating an online application for a place on a PhD programme. If you have not yet received this before the 16 December, please enter TBC in the above box and email [PhDstudentships@surrey.ac.uk](mailto:PhDstudentships@surrey.ac.uk) once you have received this.

\*\* Please note that you will need to submit evidence of meeting the university English Language Requirements to [admissions@surrey.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@surrey.ac.uk) by 12 January 2023. See guidance notes.

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| Please tick\* which studentship you wish to be considered for: | | | |
| Studentship Award | Eligibility | Funding Package\*\* | Tick |
| Surrey Black Scholars Studentship Award 2023 | * **Black British UK-permanent residents** from the following ethnic groups: Black or Black British African, Black or Black British Caribbean, Black or Black British other or Mixed Black or Black British. * **All PhD programmes**. | * Full UK tuition fee waiver. * Stipend at UKRI rates (c.£17K p.a.). * £3,000 Research Training Support Grant. |  |
| Breaking Barriers Studentship Award 2023 | * **UK & International Fee Status**. * **Female applicants** in the following programmes: Chemistry, Chemical and Process Engineering, Physics, Music and Media, Computer Science, Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Civil and Environmental Engineering, Mathematics, Mechanical Engineering Sciences, Sound Recording. * **Non-binary applicants** in all PhD programmes. * **Applicants from any department** where there are particular issues in relation to gender balance amongst their PGR community. | * Full tuition fee waiver. * Stipend at UKRI rates (c.£17K p.a.). * Research Training Support Grant of £3,000. |  |

\*You may select one or more studentships, if you meet the above eligibility

\*\*Funding package is for 3.5 years full-time (pro rata part-time).

**Section 2: Programme Details**

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| Please indicate which Faculty you wish to apply to: | | |
| \*FASS | FEPS | FHMS |
| PhD Programme: | *For example: Biomedical Engineering PhD* | |
| Name of Department/School: | *For example: Department of Mechanical Engineering* | |
| Name of Research Centre (where relevant): |  | |

\*Please tick the FASS box for applications for the Department of Higher Education

**Section 3: Education and Qualifications**

Educational Experience

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| Institution | Degree Level and Title *(e.g., BSc Physics)* | 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 4: 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 how this PhD will support your career aspirations (maximum 250 - 500 words).* |
| Word Count: |

Section 5: 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 (maximum 500 - 1000 words; including references).* |
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Section 6: Project Costing

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| **Project Costing:** *Please provide an estimate of cost of project other than fees and stipend that includes bench fees (if applicable), consumables and travel. Provide a clear description of how each of these costs will be met. If it is not evident how an element of cost will be made please also make that clear.* |
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Section 7: Supervision

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| Name of Primary Supervisor: |  |
| Primary Supervisor email address: |  |
| Current supervisory commitment\*s: | As Primary Supervisor: |
| As Secondary Supervisor: |
| Name of Secondary Supervisor: |  |
| Secondary Supervisor email address: |  |
| Current supervisory commitments\*: | As Primary Supervisor: |
| As Secondary Supervisor: |

\*Do not name or list current PGRs, only note the number of current commitments.

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| Does the supervisory team include an Early Career Researcher or Early Career Academic? | Yes – an ECR  Yes – an ECA  No |
| **Expertise of Supervisory Team:** *Please use this space to explain the relevance of the expertise of the supervisory team for the project, the roles of each member of the supervisory team and if a member of the supervisory team is an early career researcher/academic please give details (maximum 250 words).* | |
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| **Researcher Environment and Training:** *Please briefly summarise the environment and relevant training/expertise available to the researcher (maximum 250 words).* | |
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Section 8: University Research Strategy

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| Please outline the extent to which the project and student are aligned with the University’s Research Strategy, in particular how the work will contribute to addressing the Grand Challenges and how it is envisioned that research will be impactful *(maximum 350 words).* |
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Section 9: Details of Project Partners and Collaborators

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| Do you have Project Partners? | **Yes** (please complete this section) | **No** (please move to section 10) |
| Organisation: |  | |
| Name and contact information of supervisor at the organisation (if applicable): |  | |
| Sector of organisation (public, private, voluntary/charitable): |  | |
| Have you attached a letter of support from the organisation? **This is a requirement if you have a partner see Guidance Notes** | **Yes** | **No** |

**Funding** (if applicable)

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| Total contribution in cash towards fees and stipend | **Fees:** | **Stipend:** |
| Total contribution in kind |  | |
| ***Description of contribution****: Include here whether the partner has experience of research student supervision or plans to have any input into supervision; why the partnership will be of benefit to the student and project; whether there is a past history of working with the partner on research activity, and what procedures will be in place to ensure the smooth running of the collaboration (maximum 500 words).* | | |
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| **Rationale for collaboration:** *Describe the rationale for the collaboration and the gain it will bring to the university for this project and for future research (maximum 500 words).* | | |
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Section 10: 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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Please ensure that your application is sent to your prospective supervisory team, and that the application is signed and submitted to [phdstudentships@surrey.ac.uk](mailto:phdstudentships@surrey.ac.uk).

## Section 11: Supervisor and Head of Department/School/Centre declaration

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| **For the “Breaking Barriers Studentship Award”:**If this application is for the Breaking Barriers Studentship Award and is not from one of the highlighted departments, please include a supporting statement here summarising the particular issues that the Department/School/Centre has faced in relation to gender balance amongst their PGR community and any actions taken to date to try to help resolve these *(maximum 200 words)*. |
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I confirm that the information I have provided in this form is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge at this date. As HoD/HoS/HoC I can confirm that adequate resources are in place to support this studentship application, including provision of a personal computer.

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| Primary Supervisor Signature | Date |
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| Secondary Supervisor Signature | Date |
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| HoD / HoS / HoC Signature | Date |
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