



Cardiff University  
School of Psychology

<b>Studentship Title:</b>	'Open' ESRC studentships
<b>Research Area/ Project Title:</b>	Psychology
<b>Location:</b>	School of Psychology
<b>Expected Start Date:</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> October 2018
<b>Duration:</b>	1+3, +3 or 3 years
<b>Deadline for Application:</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> February 2018 at 4pm

#### **Description of Research Opportunity:**

These studentships are 'open' awards therefore the School welcomes proposals in a wide range of areas. However, applicants should consider approaching a potential supervisor before submitting their application to confirm that there is supervisory capacity within the School and to discuss their draft application. Information on the research interests of our staff can be found on the [School of Psychology web pages](#).

The Psychology pathway convenor Prof Tony Manstead may also be able to steer you.

If you need help in identifying potential supervision, please contact Clair Southard (contact details below).

#### **Award:**

The studentships will commence in October 2018 and will cover your tuition fees (at UK/EU level) as well as a maintenance grant. In 2017-18 the maintenance grant for full-time students was £14,553 per annum. As well as tuition fees and a maintenance grant, all School of Psychology students receive conference and participant money (approx. £2250 for the duration of the studentship). They also receive a computer and office space, additional funding for their research, and access to courses offered by the University's Doctoral Academy and become members of the University Doctoral Academy.

The awards are available on either a 1+3 or +3 basis for full-time study, and also as its part-time equivalent. A 1+3 studentship provides funding for four years full-time, completing the MSc in Social Science Research Methods in the first year, followed by three years of research funding for a PhD. A +3 studentship provides funding for the three years of full-time PhD research study only but is limited to those who already hold a relevant Masters-level qualification. The School of Psychology values diversity and equality at all levels, and encourages applications from all sections of the community. All studentships are available on a full-time or part-time basis.

**Eligibility:**

Full awards (fees plus maintenance stipend) are open to UK Nationals, and EU students who can satisfy UK residency requirements. To be eligible for the full award, EU Nationals must have been in the UK for at least 3 years prior to the start of the course for which they are seeking funding, including for the purposes of full-time education.

As there are limited studentships available and a very high standard of applications is typically received, the successful applicant is likely to have a very good first degree (preferably a First Class or exceptionally an Upper Second class BSc Honours or equivalent) and/or be distinguished by having relevant research experience.

**How to apply:**

You can apply online - consideration is automatic on applying for a PhD in Psychology, with an October 2018 start date (programme code RFPDPSYA).

Please use our online application service at [www.cf.ac.uk/regis/general/applyonline/index.html](http://www.cf.ac.uk/regis/general/applyonline/index.html)

and specify in the funding section that you wish to be considered for ESRC funding.

**Application deadline:** The closing date for applications for one of these studentships will be 4.00pm on February 1 2018. Details of the application procedure will be published later.

**General Information:**

The School of Psychology, supported by the ESRC Doctoral Training Partnership for Wales (Wales DTP), invites applications for the opportunity to secure a fully-funded PhD studentship commencing in October 2018. The School expects to make one or more doctoral studentship awards in Psychology, with a particular focus on one of the following sub-fields: [cognitive](#), [developmental](#), [health](#), or [social and environmental psychology](#).

**About the School**

Cardiff University School of Psychology is one of the largest and best departments in the UK. We offer outstanding undergraduate and postgraduate teaching informed by international cutting-edge research. The last Teaching Quality Assessment judged our teaching 'Excellent', and we consistently obtain the highest scores possible for our research (see [RAE 2014](#)). With acknowledged excellence in research and teaching, and being one of the largest psychology departments in Britain, we offer a range of postgraduate opportunities.

The broad range of expertise within the School allows us to provide training in an unusually wide range of methodological techniques. A distinctive feature of the School is that the integration which exists across different disciplines provides unique opportunities for multidisciplinary research projects. Applicants interested in pursuing PhD schemes in any one of the School's primary [research areas](#) must have *at least* an upper-second class honours degree or equivalent (normally in a science discipline).

The School is home to over 100 academics and researchers, including a number of externally-funded research fellows ([Wellcome](#), [BBSRC](#), [Leverhulme](#), [Royal Society](#)). We have some joint appointments with [Medicine](#) and [Biosciences](#) facilitating cross-university interdisciplinary research. We have a lively student community, with approximately 120 full-

time postgraduates undertaking our [MSc in Imaging](#), [MSc in Social Science Research Methods](#), [PhD](#) and [Professional Doctorate](#) programmes and just under 600 students on our undergraduate [Psychology](#) and [Psychology with Professional Placement](#) courses. With access to world-class [facilities](#), with a large number of purpose-built laboratories that have all been refurbished within the last five years, as well as [CUBRIC](#) (Cardiff University Brain Research Imaging Centre). Integration across different disciplines and between Psychology and other Schools provides unique opportunities for multidisciplinary research projects.

The School collaborates with major universities and scholars from around the world, as well as enjoying excellent links with public and third sector organisations, policy makers and practitioners.

### ***About the University***

Cardiff University is acknowledged as one of Britain's leading teaching and research universities, held in high esteem both nationally and internationally. Its world-leading research was ranked 5th amongst UK universities in the 2014 Research Excellence Framework for quality and 2nd for impact.

Cardiff University has been named as the lead partner for one of 14 new accredited ESRC Doctoral Training Partnerships (DTP) across the UK, judged by the ESRC to deliver truly excellent postgraduate training provision. The DTP and University are committed to widening access for postgraduates to ESRC funding.

Supervisors

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