**Studentship Title:** One PhD studentship in the School of Psychology

**Research Area/ Project Title:** PhD studentship in understanding and assessing children with psychological disorders

**Location:** Cardiff University Centre for Human Developmental Science

**Expected Start Date:** October 1 2018

**Duration:** 48 months

**Deadline for Application:** 11th May 2018

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We are currently accepting applications to be considered for School of Psychology funding.

**Description of Research Opportunity:**
Applications are invited for a highly motivated, enthusiastic psychologist with an interest in developmental psychopathology (or related field) to join a well-supported, friendly research team, based in the internationally renowned School of Psychology at Cardiff University that has a strong tradition of supporting research careers in psychology. The team (based in Cardiff University's newly established Centre for Human Developmental Science) is studying young children with emotional and behavioural problems, using neurodevelopmental assessments. The PhD student will be responsible for undertaking assessments of children and their parents in a dedicated laboratory based in the Centre for Human Developmental Science (training in the use of laboratory equipment will be provided). The student will need to liaise with educational and clinical psychologists, and with school-teachers and will be responsible for data analysis and writing papers. In the context of this work, the student will be encouraged to develop his/her own line of research that will serve as the basis for a PhD. The precise topic will be by negotiation with the supervisor, Professor van Goozen, and will need to be compatible with the ongoing work of the Centre, but within this framework there will be an opportunity for the student to pursue his or her own interests.

**Teaching responsibilities:**
This will be a 4-year studentship. The PhD student will join the teaching staff of the MSc in Children’s Psychological Disorders (CPD) and help deliver tutorials and practicals to the MSc students for a maximum of 180 hours per year. Applicants must have excellent organisational, communication and research skills and an ability to successfully work as part of a teaching team, that includes psychologists, psychiatrists and clinical and educational psychologists.

**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 a GTA you will receive £5,100 per year on top of your
stipend (so £19, 653 with the additional GTA payment). In addition, students receive conference and participant money (approx. £2250 for the duration of the studentship). You will also receive a computer and office space. You will become a member of, and have access to courses offered by the University's Graduate College.

Eligibility:
Full awards (fees plus maintenance stipend) are open to UK Nationals, and EU students. International students will typically be eligible for a UK/EU equivalent award only.

Requirements:
To be competitive, you will have a first class/good upper second degree, or a distinction/merit at masters’ level, in a relevant subject, with a good knowledge of developmental psychopathology. You will need to prove your ability to carry out research (you will need to present some research you are doing or have done in the interview, e.g. in an undergraduate, masters or summer project). You will be able to work in a team and with children aged 3-8 years old with emotional and behavioural problems. You will be able to learn fast, understand complex problems and apply practical solutions. You will need to have good numerical and excellent communication skills.

For informal enquiries about the project, contact prof. Stephanie van Goozen (vangoozens@cf.ac.uk). Please attach with your letter a brief (one page) CV.

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 RFPDPSY).

Please use our online application service at http://www.cardiff.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/applying
and specify in the funding section that you wish to be considered for School funding.

Please specify that you are applying for this particular project.

Application deadline: 11th May 2018 with interviews (either in person or by Skype) being held End of May and decisions being made by Early June 2018.

General Information:
The School of Psychology is one of the largest and most successful in the UK (http://www.cf.ac.uk/psych/). The School’s excellent standard of research and teaching has been recognised in every Research Assessment Exercise. It has its own brain-imaging centre (http://www.cf.ac.uk/psych/cubric/), enhancing the international-leading research in behavioural neuroscience, cognitive ergonomics, forensic, social and developmental psychology.

Cardiff is the youngest capital city in Europe and the fastest growing in the UK. It plays host to many national and international sporting events at the Millennium Stadium (http://www.millenniumstadium.com/). Culturally, the city is thriving, with the Wales Millennium Centre (http://www.wmc.org.uk/) in Cardiff Bay. Cardiff is in very close proximity to the beautiful Welsh countryside (http://www.breconbeacons.org/), has a two hour rail link to London and a (cheap) one hour air link to Paris and Amsterdam (http://www.cardiffairportonline.com/)
Please address any informal enquiries to:

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