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**POSTGRADUATE
RESEARCH AT THE**

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OF SALFORD



**DOCTORAL
SCHOOL**

BECOME UNSTOPPABLE



It's an exciting time to be doing research at Salford. Once at the heart of Britain's Industrial Revolution, the University is now at the heart of 21st century creativity and learning.

Our Doctoral School brings together PhD candidates from across the University, supporting a vibrant community in which collaborative and interdisciplinary working can flourish. Our innovative research environment is recognised around the world, building international visibility and opportunity, offering you a platform from which to develop your own profile.

The Doctoral School offers an extensive range of training and support, tailored to your individual needs. The Salford Postgraduate Research Training (SPoRT) programme is designed to help you develop the skills needed for effective research and transferable skills to enhance your employability, whether you are planning a career in academia or elsewhere in the public or private sectors.

Diversity and inclusivity are the lifeblood of our Doctoral School. Flexible start dates allow you to begin your study when it is most convenient for you, while our online doctoral programme enables candidates based outside the Manchester area to complete their PhD studies with Salford.

Our PhD candidates come from a wide variety of backgrounds, adding their life experiences and unique journeys to our collective knowledge and expertise. There is no such thing as a typical Salford PhD candidate. People from all over the world and at all stages in life join us to explore the research questions that matter passionately to them. Whatever your reasons for pursuing a PhD, our world class training and development opportunities enable you to fulfil your unique potential.

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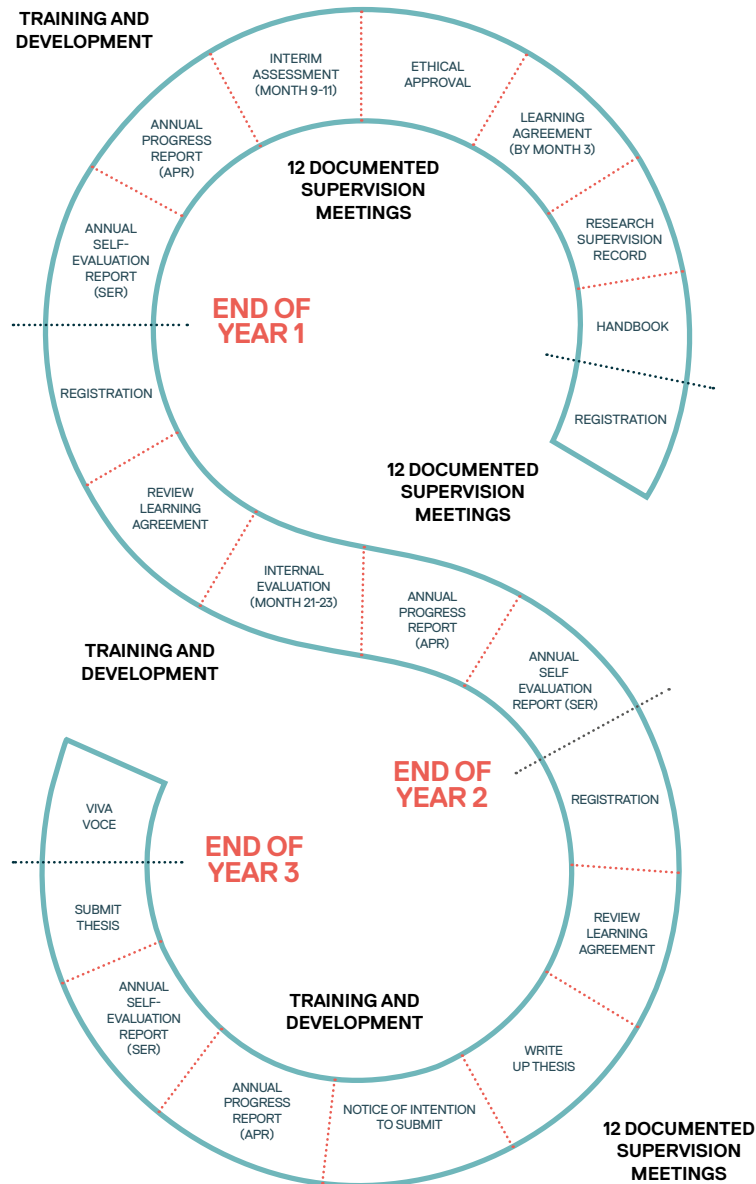


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THE POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH JOURNEY

This diagram shows the successive stages of a full time PhD. On our website, you can click on each progression point to find out more. You can also access this information for part-time and other modes of study.



THE UNIVERSITY OF SALFORD HAS A LONG AND CELEBRATED TRADITION OF TRANSFORMING INDIVIDUALS AND COMMUNITIES THROUGH EXCELLENT TEACHING, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND ENGAGEMENT.

RESEARCH TRAINING

Each of our postgraduate students are assigned a fully-trained supervisor who is well experienced and active in the same area of research, a co-supervisor or a local advisor, and a personal tutor who will offer support and guidance when needed. Our programmes are further enriched by comprehensive in-house training support, in addition to wider University support, which addresses researchers' needs during all stages of their research. Students have access to state-of-the-art facilities such as the Patient Simulation Suites and the Salford Energy House.

SALFORD IMPACT

The University of Salford has a long and celebrated tradition of transforming individuals and communities through excellent teaching, research, innovation and engagement. Exemplifying our distinctive cultural heritage, we have developed 'Salford Impact', which focuses on our track record of connected, co-created, transformational research.

ARTS AND MEDIA



Within Arts and Media, we are home to a vibrant research culture, with close to 100 postgraduate research students undertaking work across a variety of disciplines, including art and design, English and creative writing, linguistics, media, music, performance, politics and contemporary history. We attract students from all walks of life and from all over the world. This helps to create a lively and dynamic postgraduate research environment, with opportunities for collaboration, interdisciplinary practice and international networking.

www.salford.ac.uk/research/amc

The Arts, Media and Communication Research Centre supports innovative, interdisciplinary exchange, bringing together research into arts, humanities and social sciences. It is the largest research centre within the University of Salford, focusing on domestic and international contemporary collaborative work. The recently established Salford International Innovation Studio at MediaCityUK brings together research staff, artists, designers and other creative practitioners. Our New Adelphi Building offers world-class exhibition and performance spaces, making Salford a great environment for researchers and practitioners from a wide range of disciplines. Real-world impacts are always in our sights as we engage with 21st century challenges. Our work is often in anticipation of and influenced by the needs of our media industry neighbours such as ITV, BBC and Dock 10, developing high impact technologies. Our research also helps the lives of people in the community, for example our 'Design against Crime' research unit which has helped to transform the design of our cities to make them safer and better suited for our communities.

SALFORD IMPACT

In the 2014 Research Excellence Framework (REF), 25% of the school's Cultural, Communication and Media (CCM) research was judged to be world leading, with 60% judged as internationally excellent or world leading. In terms of research power, we rank 21st in the UK.

The academic conference, 'Challenging Media Landscapes' (part of Salford International Media Festival) embodies our approach. Organised by the University of Salford, it serves as a platform for academic discourse and debate, where academics contribute to panel discussions and papers on contemporary media.

Visit www.salfordmediafestival.co.uk to find out more.

ARTS AND HUMANITIES RESEARCH COUNCIL NORTH WEST CONSORTIUM (AHRC NWC)

Several eligible PGR researchers within the School of Arts and Media have obtained competitive AHRC studentship funding as part of the North West Consortium Doctoral Training Partnership in which Salford participates with a range of north-west institutions. The consortium also provides specialised advanced research training available to both NWC candidates and School of Arts and Media PGRs in general. To find out more, visit www.nwcdtp.ac.uk

Some PGR students are also supported by Salford's own studentships.



CASE STUDY



Winda Setia Sari recently completed her creative-critical PhD investigating second language poetry and mother-daughter relationships. At home in Indonesia, Winda works as a lecturer in English Literature, having obtained government sponsorship to develop her research skills.

Winda moved to the UK with her family, including her three young children, who attended school locally. Winda chose to study at Salford because of our expertise in practice-based and hybrid modes of enquiry. Reflecting on her experience at Salford, Winda said: "I flew thousands of miles from my home country, Indonesia, and found my second home, at the School of Arts and Media, Salford. The University gave me the opportunity to experience a global cultural academic atmosphere, meeting people from different countries. Salford provided up-to-date training and seminars to expand my practical skills; it was indeed a once in a lifetime chance for me as a teacher from a developing country. Salford opened up new networks for me as an English literature teacher contributing to my personal development and professionalism. My PhD journey has not been easy, but I will bring this fruitful academic experience back home, to Indonesia."

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WHAT NEXT?

Find out more about postgraduate research in arts and media, visit our website www.salford.ac.uk/research/amc or phone +44 (0)161 295 7012.

GET IN TOUCH

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BUSINESS, MANAGEMENT AND LAW



If you're thinking of studying for a PhD in business, management or law, Salford Business School is perfectly placed to help you. We have also recently launched the Salford DBA – a Doctor of Business Administration. By studying at Salford, you will be joining an enterprising, award-winning business school with a vibrant international community, in a city-region of rapid growth and high economic investment.

Our students come from a very diverse range of backgrounds and countries across the globe. Many have previous work experience. At Salford Business School, we have established links with a range of businesses and organisations, small, medium and large offering exciting opportunities for work-significant research.

www.salford.ac.uk/research/sbs

Research training in business and management at Salford Business School will inspire you to think critically, challenge assumptions and construct persuasive arguments – arming you with the personal and professional qualities that employers' value. We provide a vibrant, enthusiastic and international arena in which our students develop research that has real-world impact, addressing the needs of our industry partners and the wider communities around us.

Follow the University research blog on blogs.salford.ac.uk/research

THE SALFORD DBA

This course is designed to bridge the gap between professional practice and academic research. Developed for senior professionals, the Doctorate in Business Administration is a research-based qualification that is delivered in a blended format, allowing you to earn a doctoral-level degree without sidelining your career.

Whilst equivalent to a PhD, the part-time delivery and commercial focus of the DBA can make it more relevant to high-level business professionals.

CAREER PROSPECTS

Students leaving the University with a postgraduate research degree are well placed to lead and manage business-related projects and research. The school's ethos is to encourage students and graduates to engage with sector experts and find out more about working in the 'real world'. Many of our graduates are already making a difference in the commercial sector and also in academia, by holding leadership positions in organisations and academic institutions across the world.

CASE STUDY



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Dr Muktar Bello recently completed his PhD with Salford Business School, titled 'Investigating Cybercriminals in Nigeria: A Comparative Study'. Muktar, who is from Nigeria, was a law enforcement officer before starting his studies, working with a renowned law enforcement agency responsible for tackling economic and financial crimes, especially cybercriminals.

Muktar chose his PhD topic because of the prevalence of cyber related offences in Nigeria and globally. "As the digital footprints and internet penetration access of countries continues to increase, so have the activities of cybercriminals. Therefore, there is a need to come up with a holistic approach to tackling cybercrime in Nigeria."

Reflecting on his time in Salford, Mukta commented, "I came to Salford because the city offers great opportunities. It's diverse and multicultural and the people are very warm and welcoming. Studying at the University of Salford offered me a great opportunity to network with professionals and offered a support system to students where ideas and innovation are nurtured. The PGR supervision team and Salford Business School's PGR support team were very supportive. They made the PhD study very enjoyable."

As part of his studies, Muktar was given the opportunity to participate in conferences and doctoral symposiums, representing the school in the SPARC conference. He presented papers during the annual UK Academy of Information Systems (UKAIS) in Oxford as well as being invited to present findings of his thesis to the West Yorkshire Police Cyber Tactical Retreat in Wakefield and to the University of Central Lancashire's annual Re-thinking Cybercrime Conference.

Muktar has now returned to Nigeria and is working with the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission as a Senior Detective Investigator in tackling the menace of cybercrime and implementing the National Cybersecurity Strategy in Nigeria.

WHAT NEXT?

Find out more about postgraduate research in business, management and law, visit our website www.salford.ac.uk/research/sbs or phone +44 (0)161 295 2122.

GET IN TOUCH

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BUILT ENVIRONMENT

We offer a comprehensive range of research programmes within the area of built environment that give the opportunity for researchers worldwide to realise their ambition and to achieve higher qualifications via research. We welcome ambitious and driven students, offering you a dynamic and exciting research experience in areas of construction and property management, informatics, applied buildings and energy, sustainable urban and regional futures, disaster resilience and inclusive design.

www.salford.ac.uk/research/uprise

WORLD RANKINGS

We have been a leader in the research agenda in the industry for more than 20 years, and are recognised for our friendly and professional environment. For the fourth consecutive year, the prestigious international university rankings organisation Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) has placed us in the World's Top 100 centres for Architecture/ Built Environment study (QS world ranking, 2019). We have one of the largest global cohorts of built environment PhD students and offer outstanding research opportunities, both by attendance (part-time or full-time) and distance learning.

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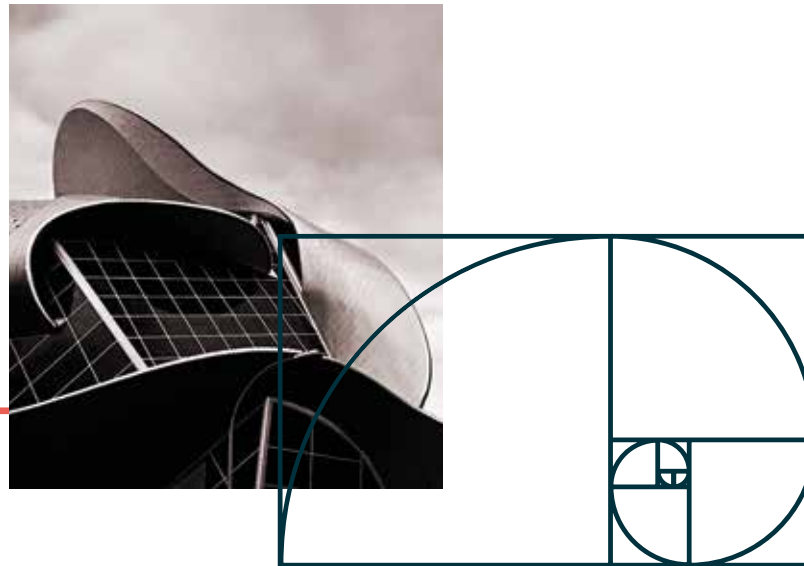
CASE STUDY



Joe Pemberton is currently researching thermal bridging as part of an Industrial Case Studentships, iCase, PhD.

iCase PhDs such as Joe's research, provide funding for PhD studentships where businesses take the lead in arranging projects with an academic partner of their choice. When discussing his PhD, Joe said, "The research will benefit them because it will add certification to the products they sell, showing that they are fit-for-purpose and that the effects of using their products are well known". These awards provide students with a first-rate, challenging research experience, with mutually beneficial collaboration outputs for academics and partner organisations.

Joe's research is a brilliant example of how industry and research collaborate to address 21st century challenges within the University. Research at Salford strives to identify how we might design, deliver and experience cities differently, considering issues at the local and global level. Reflecting on why he chose Salford, Joe said, "Salford has a really good energy department, offering facilities such as the Energy House, which is a one-of-a-kind testing laboratory." Joe's research is just one example where Salford is using its world-class facilities and academic expertise to help create a better urban future.

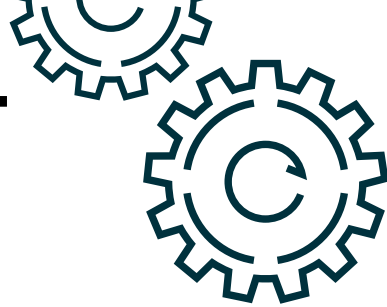


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COMPUTING, SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING



Postgraduate research opportunities within this field span a variety of topics including acoustics, robotics, physics, materials, eco-engineering, civil engineering, petroleum, informatics and cyber security, telecommunications, and spray technology. Students benefit from a world-class, multi-disciplinary research and innovation environment.

www.salford.ac.uk/research/sirc

Studying within the fields of computing, science and engineering at Salford means you will get the opportunity to engage with high-tech projects that often have multifaceted technological challenges in a multi-disciplinary area, such as studying acoustic awareness in urban spaces using virtual reality or using 3D printing and scale modelling to study the acoustics of Stonehenge. You will get access to world leading facilities including our £2.5 million Acoustic Test and

Calibration Laboratory, with one of the few fully anechoic chambers in the UK. Acoustic Test & Calibration Laboratory, with one of the few fully anechoic chambers in the UK.

We have strong research and academic partnerships with industry such as the BBC, Dyson, Apple, BT, Cisco and Airbus. These partnerships enable effective knowledge transfer and up-to-date awareness of topical issues in relevant industries.



CASE STUDY



Lauren Ward is a postgraduate researcher in audio engineering based in the Acoustics Research Centre, our world-renowned centre of study for acoustics and audio. She is sponsored by the General Sir John Monash Foundation from her home country of Australia, who support outstanding Australian students to develop their research at world leading international institutions.

Her research focusses on improving the accessibility of broadcast sound for hard of hearing listeners. During her PhD she has been working with Dr Ben Shirley as well as with BBC Research and Development. Her collaboration with the BBC resulted in the first public trial of an accessibility technology based on object-based audio. This technology allowed viewers to control the balance of audio objects in an episode of BBC's Casualty through a new control in the media player. This gave them the ability to personalise the audio to their hearing preferences and needs. This built on the collaborations between the University of Salford and BBC R&D as part of the Audio Research Partnership and the EPSRC S3A Future Spatial Audio Project.

As a result of the research Lauren won a Leslie H Paddle Scholarship for excellence in research from the Institution of Engineering & Technology, and also the EPSRC Connected Nation Pioneer award for making digital technology work for people. The EPSRC were impressed with the pioneering nature of Lauren's research, and also her ability to communicate her work. Lauren reflected on the project and said, "I think my work with producers and broadcasters to transfer my research into industry particularly impressed them".

WHAT NEXT?

Find out more about postgraduate research in computing, science and engineering, visit our website www.salford.ac.uk/research/sirc or phone +44 (0)161 295 3482.

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ENVIRONMENT AND LIFE SCIENCES

Each year, students from the UK and countries across the world join us to undertake research in the life sciences and into real-world challenges in our environment. Our students are based either in the historic Peel Building, or the Cockcroft Building that houses recently refurbished scientific laboratories, including our state-of-the-art Translational Medicine laboratory. Research is structured into two main Research Centres.

The Biomedical Research Centre's research programmes include analysis of the function of cells and organs in the human body and animal systems in physiological and pathological settings, focusing on cancer, inflammation, therapeutics and drug design, infectious diseases, pharmacology, physiology, immunology, molecular diagnostics and cell biology. It also encompasses the perturbations caused by zoonotic and pathogenic microbes on human and animal health. Our research underpins understanding and treatment of diseases and is developed with our partners in hospitals to generate better therapies. We work closely with regional hospitals and have numerous national and international collaborations with universities and research centres.



The Ecosystems and Environment Research Centre's research programmes are focused on advancing the understanding of key environmental challenges of major economic and societal importance, including biodiversity resource management, climate and environmental change and the spread of infectious diseases. Funding to support our research is received from national and international research councils, businesses and charities. Our researchers study the living and non-living components of the ecosystem and the management and governance of these systems; they work globally in habitats ranging from the open ocean to pristine tropical rainforests and the urban core of our major cities.

We address some of the major environmental challenges of the 21st century: climate change, biodiversity loss, natural resource management and spread of infectious diseases.



CASE STUDY



Peter Martin studied at the University of Salford for a PhD under the Pathway to Excellence Studentship, in the laboratory of Dr. Rhoderick H. Elder, graduating in July 2019 with a PhD in Molecular Biology.

Reflecting on his experience Peter says: "Studying at the University of Salford, under the supervision of Dr. Rhoderick H. Elder, provided me with many opportunities to collaborate and acquire relevant and contemporary scientific skills. Throughout my PhD, I was able to discuss my work freely and critically with my supervisor. As a result, the research I undertook was enjoyable and successful. This led to the successful defence of my thesis and publication of a number of articles in internationally renowned scientific journals.

I am currently a Post-doctoral Training Fellow at the Institute of Cancer Research, London, in the Genomic Instability and Cancer Team. I focus my research on the further understanding of the molecular mechanisms that enable cells to maintain their genomic integrity. In addition, I explore how these mechanisms may be exploited for the development of novel anti-cancer therapeutic strategies.

The training in molecular biology and biochemistry that I received at the University of Salford, combined with multiple opportunities to collaborate, enabled me to compete for positions at highly regarded research institutes. This has enabled me to continue my research career at one of the most recognised institutes in the world for research excellence.

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WHAT NEXT?

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HEALTH AND SOCIETY

In the fields of health and society, our expert teaching staff, strong industry links and excellent facilities equip you with the knowledge and experiences to advance your research or career. Our researchers have made positive change at regional, national and international levels and their work is fed back directly into our teaching so that you benefit from relevant, evidence-based lectures. Your studies will be focused in the real world, allowing you to develop skills relevant to the workplace along with the needs of your patients or clients. Research in this area is structured into two main research centres.

The **Centre for Health Sciences Research** is a thriving, multidisciplinary group, focused on improving health outcomes through world-leading research. The research centre comprises a number of separate research groups, each of which offers the possibility to study for a PhD under a research supervisor with a strong academic track record. We have three groups that focus on different aspects of biomechanics, sport and physiology, which offer the potential to study for a PhD in a range of areas, including knee osteoarthritis, footwear and orthosis design and strengthening and conditioning. Another three groups focus on biomedical engineering, measurement technologies and virtual reality and can offer PhD supervision in related topics, including prosthetic limb design and physical activity measurement.

The **Centre for Applied Research in Health, Welfare and Policy (CARE)** reflects the complex and interconnected global challenges faced by contemporary society. These challenges include health inequalities, ensuring the welfare of children and young people, mobility of populations, access to housing, ensuring fair welfare systems and services, modernisation of health and social

care, crime and justice, contested identities, and digitally driven social change. CARE draws its strength from individual researchers and the combined research excellence within four teams. These teams have established reputations in pursuing work along discrete lines of inquiry, these are Children, Young People and Families (CYP@Salford), Connected Lives, Diverse Realities, Knowledge, Health and Place (KHP), and the Sustainable Housing and Urban Studies Unit (SHUSU). In addition, we host the Salford Institute for Dementia.

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WHAT NEXT?

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CASE STUDY

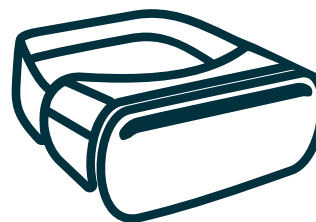


Alix Chadwell studied as a PGR student under Dr Laurence Kenney, based in the Biomechanics, Biomedical Engineering and Human Movement Sciences research group.

Alix reflects on how she has developed during her time at Salford: "I have found my work ethic to have become much more structured over the past three years. I have more confidence in my own abilities. My confidence in presenting my work and in networking has increased significantly.

I have found that my presentation skills, writing and general confidence have improved throughout, both from seminars and my supervisor's guidance. I understand how to put together a protocol and implement it. I have learnt a lot about the NHS, including the R&D processes, discussions with clinical engineers about equipment setups, how to collect my data and which types of recruitment do and don't work.

I have gained a good understanding of the factors which should be considered when reviewing a paper, and how to critically analyse other people's results. I am in the process of reviewing my first paper for a journal."



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FEES

There are a range of funding and payment options that could reduce the cost of your postgraduate qualification and there is also the option of paying your fees in instalments to help spread the cost.

2019 FEES

HOME/EU: from £2,164 for part-time to £4,327 for full-time per year.

International: from £12,870 to £14,090 per year (dependent on subject).

www.beta.salford.ac.uk/postgraduate-research/fees

Please note all fees are correct at the time of printing (September 2019). Our fees are reviewed on an annual basis and may be subject to change. At the time of printing the 2020 fees were not available therefore the 2019 fees have been provided as a guide. Please check our website for the most up to date information.

FUNDING



LOYALTY DISCOUNT

We are pleased to be able to offer a 20% discount on your net fee if you are a University of Salford graduate and will be self-funding your course. For more details on this discount and eligibility criteria, visit www.beta.salford.ac.uk/postgraduate-research/fees

DOCTORAL LOANS

You can apply for a postgraduate doctoral loan of up to £25,700, weighted over three years. The loan can be put towards overall course costs, including tuition fees, accommodation and living expenses. Both students studying on campus and via distance learning (providing they live in the UK) will be eligible for the loan. Find out more, including full eligibility criteria at www.gov.uk/doctoral-loan

RESEARCH COUNCILS

The most important sources of funding for postgraduate students in the UK are the research councils. These bodies are government-funded agencies engaged in the support of research in different disciplines. The research councils do not generally make studentship awards directly to students, but usually allocate them to departments in universities.
www.ukri.org/funding

ANNUAL BURSARY COMPETITIONS

A number of other public and non-governmental organisations also hold annual bursary competitions. In some instances, the money is available for study anywhere; in others, you may be required to apply for study at a specific university or in a specific country. We update our list of annual bursary competitions on a regular basis.

www.beta.salford.ac.uk/postgraduate/fees



USEFUL WEBSITES

www.targetpostgrad.com/funding
www.postgraduatestudentships.co.uk
www.findaphd.com/funding



HOW DO I DEVELOP A RESEARCH PROPOSAL?

If you already have your idea for a research project and are looking to submit a proposal, here's what we think you should consider:

1. A draft title
2. A clear statement of the research questions, aims and objectives of the proposed research
3. A brief literature review noting the key critical writing in the area
4. Outline of the scope of your research
5. Outline of the intended methodology
6. For practice-based research: a list of all proposed outputs for assessment and a note on the resources that may be needed

You should expect this to be a total of around 1,500 - 2,000 words.



WHAT QUALIFICATIONS DO I NEED?

We accept students who have a first degree (preferably upper second class and above) in a relevant subject and preferably also a master's degree. We also require a proven level of English language abilities for international students.

What study options are available?

You can take the traditional route to a PhD by studying on campus at Salford where you can access specific study space and research facilities as well as training and supervision support. You can also follow a completely online route with access to the same training and supervision or you could undertake a Professional Doctorate or a PHD by Published Works.

You can study full-time (3-4 years) or part-time (5-8 years), or part-time (5-8 years).



ENGLISH LANGUAGE SUPPORT

Our Pre-sessional English courses aim to improve your English language prior to starting your PhD. This also enables you to meet English language conditions for a Tier 4 visa. Once here, our Learn English for Academic Purposes (LEAP) Higher course offers in-session support to improve your academic English, studying a few hours per week alongside your PhD programme.

Find out more on our English language courses, visit www.salford.ac.uk/salford-languages email salfordlanguages@salford.ac.uk or give us a call on +44 (0)161 295 5990.



SPARC - OPPORTUNITIES FOR SHARING YOUR RESEARCH

Salford Postgraduate Annual Research Conference (SPARC) is a forum for developing research, offering a space for postgraduate researchers from all disciplines to exchange ideas. The two-day conference is run annually and as a multi-disciplinary event, it attracts a wide audience including researchers from other disciplines.

Researchers who take part can actively engage with Salford's PGR community, while also developing confidence and presentation skills at the same time.

Find out more on our website www.pg.salford.ac.uk/sparc_conference





RESEARCHER TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT – THE SALFORD POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH TRAINING (SPoRT)

Researchers at Salford can take advantage of an extensive range of development activities. The Salford Postgraduate Research Training (SPoRT) programme is designed to help researchers:

- / Develop the skills needed for effective research
- / Provide transferable skills to enhance employability
- / Support thesis writing and the submission process
- / Exposure to the wider professional research environment through conferences and dissemination
- / Build confidence, capability and collaborations through bespoke training and individualised development plans

The SPoRT programme is complementary to your core research activity and is designed to help you develop as a researcher. The training programme will help you to complete your PhD or research degree and prepare you for research and employment environments post-doctoral award. SPoRT is specifically designed to fit around your core research and is tailored for the specific researcher requirements.

Here's how SPoRT is a bespoke FIT and complements your research:

- / Focused
- / Information
- / Timed



FOCUSED

The training is focused on postgraduate researcher (PGR) development and the specific needs of researchers. Many of our training sessions are concentrated into one hour slots to enable researchers to 'dip in and dip out' with minimal disruption to the research activity. We also have dedicated researcher development days that provide opportunities to meet other researchers, exchange ideas and take the time to focus on your professional development.



INFORMATION

SPoRT guides you through some of the essential and important information related to your PGR programme and training development. Our training is presented in 'bite-sized' modules to help you select what's most relevant to you. We host a variety of training online and point to specialist resources to:

- / Provide training that's on demand, when and where you need it
- / Flexible learning that can be used to help you decide if further training and one-to-one support is needed
- / Open and accessible materials that will signpost you to further or related resources to continue your development



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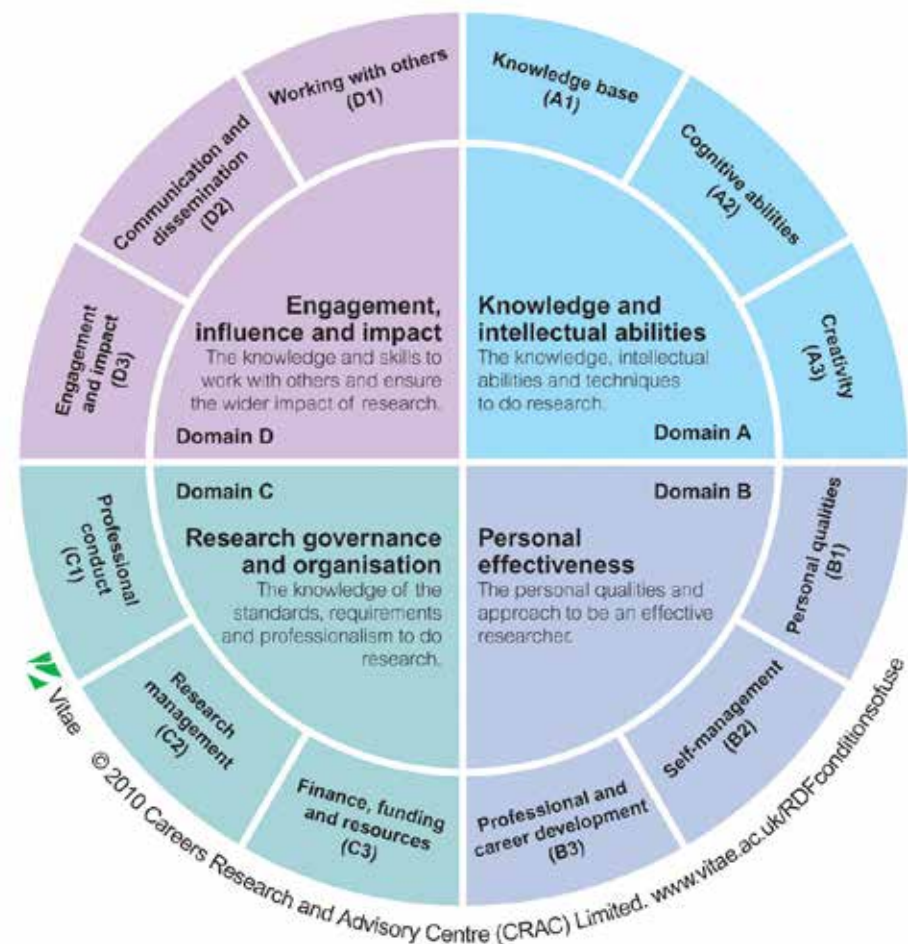
The schedule of training is reviewed and refreshed each academic year and designed to coincide with and support your researcher journey. Many of the development activities take place in three monthly cycles to complement the points of registration/re-registration and help you to navigate the progress milestones at these critical times. Researcher development days also take place quarterly throughout the year with each one focused on a particular theme such as research skills, communication or thesis development. An extensive range of online support is available at any time and face-to-face workshops or one-to-one support is available through the Advantage booking system.

THE VITAE RESEARCHER DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK

Salford's research development programme is aligned with the national Researcher Development Framework (RDF), which sets out the knowledge, behaviours and skills of successful researchers.

The RDF provides a useful vocabulary to communicate the skills development you need during progression meetings and as part of your learning agreement. It can also be used to help evidence and articulate the skills developed as a researcher on your CV or in an interview situation. All of the SPoRT training has been mapped to the RDF and you can search for training by Domain on the SPoRT webpages.

Further information about the Researcher Development Framework can be found at:
www.vitae.ac.uk/researchers-professional-development/about-the-vitae-researcher-development-framework







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