

# NOTTINGHAM TRENT UNIVERSITY SUPPORTING RESEARCH EXCELLENCE, NURTURING RESEARCH TALENT

## 1 Fully funded PhD studentship in School of Arts and Humanities

As part of our new Strategic Plan (2015-2020), we are committed to expanding our research excellence, and nurturing the next generation of researchers. We recognise the essential contribution our postgraduate community can make in the pursuit of research excellence and impact.

As part of our continued pledge to invest in research excellence, we are delighted to offer an additional fully funded PhD studentship for 201617 entry.

Applicants are expected to be highly motivated and creative individuals with strong academic records, and in receipt of a 2:1 (or UK equivalent according to Naric) in French, European Studies, or other relevant discipline; MA in French, European Studies, or other relevant discipline.

#### **AWARD**

This studentship competition is open to applicants who wish to study for a PhD on a full-time basis only. The studentship will pay UK/EU fees (currently set at £4121 for 2016/17 and are revised annually) and provide a maintenance stipend linked to the RCUK rate (this is revised annually and is currently £14,296 for academic year 2016/17) for up to three years\*. The studentship will be expected to commence on 27 June 2017.

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

For further details please see the web site here:

http://www4.ntu.ac.uk/research/ntu\_doctoral\_school/studentships/index.html

You can obtain an application form, notes for completion and guidance from our webpages **here** 

\*Applications from non-EU students are welcome, but a successful non-EU candidate would be responsible for paying the difference between non-EU and UK/EU fees. (Fees for 2016/17 are £12,600 for non-EU students and £4121 for UK/EU students)

## **ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

To be eligible to apply, you must hold, or expect to obtain by 27 June 2017, a 2:1 (or UK equivalent according to Naric) in French, European Studies, or other relevant discipline; MA in French, European Studies, or other relevant discipline.

Please note that this scholarship is only available for new applicants. Existing PhD students are not eligible to apply

#### **ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS**

Applications can be accepted from UK/EU and International students. The minimum English language proficiency requirement for candidates who have not undertaken a higher degree at a UK HE institution is IELTS 6.5 (with a minimum of 6.0 in all skills).

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

To apply for this studentship, you should submit:

- 1. a fully completed application form (please ensure you read the guidance notes that accompany the form)
- 2. copies of your academic certificates and University transcripts
- 3. copies of your English Language Proficiency certificates (if applicable)
- 4. a research proposal of 1000-2000 words

All documents should be submitted electronically to doctoralschool@ntu.ac.uk

The **closing date** for receipt of completed application forms is **5pm (UK time) on 27 February 2017.** This deadline will be strictly adhered to. Application by CV only or incomplete applications will **not** be accepted.

Interviews will be held during week commencing 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Doctoral School at <a href="doctoralschool@ntu.ac.uk">doctoralschool@ntu.ac.uk</a> if you have any further queries.

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## BY WHAT CRITERIA WILL APPLICATIONS BE JUDGED?

The following criteria will be used to judge applications and rank candidates:

- The previous academic and career achievements of the applicant
- The applicant's potential for undertaking a successful PhD project, as demonstrated by the information provided on the application form
- The degree of fit with the research interests of the proposed supervisor(s)

In assessing your previous academic and career achievements, we will consider the following factors:

- whether you hold, a 1<sup>st</sup>Class/2.1 Bachelors degree in a <u>relevant</u> subject (including, where appropriate, training in the relevant research methods)
- Relevant work experience (especially, in a research, policy, professional or managerial role in a field directly relevant to your research proposal)