



**Social inequalities entering civvy street: researching the importance of class and gender in determining labour market outcomes of military veterans  
ESRC DTP Joint Studentship**

**The University of Warwick and the University of Nottingham**

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We are now inviting applications for an ESRC Doctoral Joint Studentship supervised by Professor Lyonette at the Institute for Employment Research at the University of Warwick (where the student will be registered) and Professor Warren at the University of Nottingham (School of Sociology and Social Policy) to commence in October 2019.

Perceptions of ex-military as 'mad, bad and sad' have long affected the employment options open to veterans after transition. These perceptions are shaped strongly by class and gender inequalities, intensifying for working class military men and women with lower qualifications than those in higher ranks. To date, little academic research has centred on class and gender differences in achieving a successful outcome after military service. This project will focus upon a diverse group of veterans from a variety of class backgrounds and life-course stages to determine those factors which act as facilitators, and those which act as barriers, to successful employment outcomes in 'civvy street'. It is anticipated that the project will involve creative mixed-methods research to produce original in-depth insights into the employment experiences of veterans to provide a rounded picture of inequalities in employment opportunities. We welcome further proposals and suggestions regarding the methodological approach from applicants.

Applicants must have a minimum of a good undergraduate degree (2.1 or higher) in a social sciences discipline and we welcome applicants with a higher degree in a relevant discipline. Evidence of previous relevant/applicable research methods training and experience, including qualitative research methods would also be welcome, as well as experience in the study of work and employment, and in social inequalities (preferably including class and gender).

For more information on the project, [please see here](#).

**Application Process**

To be considered for this Studentship, please complete the Joint Studentship application form [available online here](#) and a CV and email this to Amanda Kerry ([Amanda.Kerry@warwick.ac.uk](mailto:Amanda.Kerry@warwick.ac.uk)). Shortlisted applicants will also be required to provide two references.

**Application deadline: Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March at 5pm.**

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Informal enquiries about the research or the Institute for Employment Research prior to application can be directed to Clare Lyonette ([C.Lyonette@warwick.ac.uk](mailto:C.Lyonette@warwick.ac.uk)).