NIHR Applied Research Collaboration West Midlands

Two fully funded, full time, three-year PhD studentships are available in Warwick Medical School from September 2021. These include fees and monthly stipend based on the Research Councils recommended rate – for details see: https://www.ukri.org/skills/funding-for-research-training/. The studentships are part of the NIHR Applied Research Collaboration West Midlands (ARC WM). ARC WM is a £9 million, five-year initiative which started in October 2019. We have a mission to create lasting and effective collaborations across health and social care organisations, universities and local authorities by using research to improve the services we deliver across the West Midlands and further afield. The increasing demand for social care and the vital role of public health are key to many of the ARC's projects as we search for the best and most effective ways to maintain the health and independence of our/the population.

The students will be based in one of the ARC WM's themes, which are described on the website: https://warwick.ac.uk/fac/sci/med/about/centres/arc-wm/. Applicants should propose a topic area and say why it aligns with one of the ARC WM Themes. You are very strongly encouraged to contact potential supervisors, listed below, so you can discuss and refine your application and agree topics before applying. If you are unsure which supervisor to contact, please email Prof Aileen Clarke for advice, at: aileen.clarke@warwick.ac.uk.

Potential Supervisors within Theme 2 Acute Care Interfaces

<u>Dan Lasserson</u> (Theme Lead) email: <u>daniel.lasserson@warwick.ac.uk</u>

Potential Supervisors within Theme 3 Integrated Care in Youth Mental Health

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<u>Helena Tuomainen: helena.tuomainen@warwick.ac.uk</u>

Potential Supervisors within Theme 7 Public Health

<u>Aileen Clarke: email aileen.clarke@warwick.ac.uk</u> <u>Lena Alkhudairy: email lena.al-khudairy@warwick.ac.uk</u>

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Entry Requirements:

Studentships are available to UK students. Applicants should have a strong first degree (2:1 or above) or international equivalent in a relevant subject (refer to the <u>equivalent scores table</u> to map an international degree onto the British system). Previous research experience is an advantage. Contact details for two academic referees should be provided. Professional references provided by your current or most recent line manager are acceptable if you have been out of higher education for over two years.

If you have any queries about the entry requirements, please contact wms.rdcoord@warwick.ac.uk.

How to Apply:

If you would like to apply, please email:

- your CV (including two academic references as above and highlighting research experience)
- a **covering letter** outlining:
 - why you are interested in doing a PhD with the ARC WM
 - which Theme you are applying to
 - who you have approached for supervision

• A **short proposal** (2 pages maximum) for research that aligns with ARC theme, which should be framed by relevant literature and an outline of the proposed research design, stating its potential practical and theoretical contribution.

Please send your CV, covering letter and proposal to: ARCWM@warwick.ac.uk.

Applications must be made by midday on Monday 3rd May 2021. Interviews will take place on Wednesday 12th May 2021.

Please note that if you are invited to interview, you will be invited to make a 10 minute presentation explaining your research questions and how they will fit in to the research plans of your chosen theme and supervisor.

Please note that applications and supporting documents will be sent to all members of the interview panel. Applications and supporting documents will not be used for any other purpose and will be deleted after the recruitment process has completed.