

ESRC Ph.D. Studentships at the School of the Built Environment, Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh

Two ESRC Quota Award PhD. Studentships are available from September 2009 in Heriot-Watt University's School of the Built Environment (SBE).

The School has a strong track record in undertaking policy-oriented research for central government departments and related bodies in England and Wales, as well as in Scotland. It was highly-rated in the area of Urban Studies in the recent national Research Assessment Exercise where 20% of relevant SBE research was classed as 'world leading' and a further 30% 'internationally excellent'. Specific areas of expertise include housing, planning, real estate, regeneration, equalities, rapid urbanisation and international human settlements.

Applicants should have a good honours degree, and for ESRC funding eligibility, an ESRC recognised postgraduate qualification in a relevant subject area. Please see link for details on Proposal (Open) Competition places:

<http://www.esrcsocietytoday.ac.uk/ESRCInfocentre/opportunities/postgraduate/>

Applications to undertake doctoral research relevant to any area of expertise within the School would be welcome. However, applications are particularly sought under the following headings:

- **Policy interventions to tackle social exclusion** (supervisor: [Prof Glen Bramley](#))
- **Sustainable city transport** (supervisor: [Prof Angela Hull](#))
- **Reform of social housing provision** (supervisor: [Prof Hal Pawson](#))
- **Spatial planning and the natural heritage** (supervisor: [Dr Jeremy Raemaekers](#))
- **Global development and urbanization** (supervisor: [Prof Paul Jenkins](#))
- **Real estate cycles and property investment** (supervisor: [Dr Michael White](#))

How to Apply to HWU (closing date 17th April)

(1) complete the [on-line application form](#). *For Question (20) of the online form please enter the research proposal title as the proposed area of research. Please provide at least one A4 page/approximately 750 words about your proposed area of research, Please send this to g.rae@hw.ac.uk word document, with a copy of your CV, by email if possible.

(2) Please enter your full name on the [Referee's Report Form](#) and also the research proposal title (as above) then forward to you referees for completion and return (by fax or post only).

(3) Please include a current CV and forward copies of your certificates and relevant transcript, (by fax or post only).

For more information about how to apply go to:

<http://www.sbe.hw.ac.uk/ResearchandBusiness/HowtoApply.htm>

Value of Award and Eligibility

The studentship would provide tuition fees and maintenance allowance for up to 36 months to complete a PhD for applicants, subject to eligibility. Applicants should have Home or EU fee status only. To query your fee status, complete a Fee Status Form available at http://www.hw.ac.uk/registry/ISA_Fee_Status.php. The current stipend is £12,940 per annum for session 2008/09. For eligibility criteria see <http://www.epsrc.ac.uk/PostgraduateTraining/default.htm>

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