





4-year PhD studentships in the Department of Physiology, Development and Neuroscience

Application deadline: 12:00 (midday) UK time on

Thursday 6 January 2022

APPLY HERE https://www.pdn.cam.ac.uk/postgraduate/phd

Applications are invited for two 4-year PhD studentships in the Dept. of Physiology, Development and Neuroscience (PDN) from October 2022. These students will join the School of the Biological Sciences Doctoral Training Programme (SBS DTP), participate in SBS DTP training and cohort-building events and undertake a Professional Internship for PhD Students (PIPS) of 3 months.

We actively encourage applications from prospective postgraduate students from under-represented groups. If you love your subject and have an aptitude for study or research, and have gained, or are on course for, a good Upper Second class degree or overseas equivalent (for equivalence guidelines, see here), we would very much like to hear from you. Further details about the University's commitment to widening participation in postgraduate study are available here.

School of the Biological Sciences DTP Studentship in Physiology, Development and Neuroscience Jointly funded by PDN and the School of the Biological Sciences (SBS).

Physiology, Development and Neuroscience (PDN) - Wolfson College Studentship
Jointly funded by PDN and Wolfson College. The successful applicant will become a member of Wolfson College which offers a lively and welcoming home to a diverse and cosmopolitan community of postgraduate and older (21+) undergraduate students. Wolfson offers all of its PhD students at least two years' housing in reasonably priced student accommodation. First-year accommodation is not guaranteed but is usually available to new students who meet all their offer conditions by 31 July (and often thereafter). Detailed information is available here.

All applicants will be considered for both studentships, which cover fees at the Home rate, maintenance, research consumables and training costs. Information about University fees and standard maintenance costs for 2022/23 is available here and about fee status here.

Students who are not eligible for Home fee status will need extra funding to cover the difference with Overseas fees. All eligible applicants for these studentships will also be considered for the University of Cambridge Postgraduate Funding Competition, which coordinates funding from multiple sources including the Cambridge Trust, Gates Cambridge Trust, and Harding Distinguished Postgraduate Scholars Programme, providing they have applied for University admission by 12:00 (midday) UK time on Thursday 6 January 2022 and ticked the 'I want to be considered for funding' box. Applicants should have or be about to achieve a First or good Upper Second-class degree from a UK university or an equivalent standard from an overseas university (equivalence guidelines are available here) and meet the University of Cambridge entrance requirements. Minimum English requirements can be found here.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Step 1: Contact supervisor(s): A list of supervisors and available projects is available at: https://www.pdn.cam.ac.uk/postgraduate/phd

Initial enquiries should be made as early as possible. Email supervisor(s) directly with your CV, including your academic record and contact details for two academic referees (one of whom should be familiar with your academic record).

Step 2: University Application: If the supervisor wishes to support you for the competition, they will ask you to apply to the University using the online application form (Applicant Portal) http://www.graduate.study.cam.ac.uk/applicant-portal selecting the following course:

PhD in Physiology, Development & Neuroscience https://www.graduate.study.cam.ac.uk/courses/directory/blpdpdpdn

List the name of your prospective supervisor and project title in the Research section of the form. (Including the title is especially important where a supervisor has more than one project available.) Enter your Research Proposal (max. 7500 characters) into the 'Course Specific Questions' section. Your prospective supervisor will help with the proposal.

Project-related questions should be addressed directly to the supervisor. Requests for general information or enquiries about procedures (including advice if you have already submitted an application to the University for a PhD in PDN) should be directed to Aileen Jordan, Postgraduate Administrator (e-mail: postgradinfo@pdn.cam.ac.uk).

Applications with ALL supporting documentation to be submitted by 12:00 (midday) UK time on Thursday 6 January 2022 at the latest.

Interview dates to be confirmed.

Applications on the Applicant Portal will cost you £75 per 3 applications (further information).

If you are from a low-income background, you are likely to be eligible for an <u>application fee waiver</u>. UK applicants from low-income households, or applicants with Asylum Seeker or Refugee Status, must submit the application fee waiver request form and required supporting documentation **before** submitting your University application and by no later than **1 December 2021** (for the form and guidance, see here).