Open-Oxford-Cambridge AHRC DTP Application Form 2022/23

Please read the full guidance for candidates on the Open-Oxford-Cambridge AHRC DTP (OOC DTP) website before completing and submitting this application form.

1. Preliminary details

Please give details of the university and doctoral programme in relation to which you are applying for Open-Oxford-Cambridge AHRC DTP Studentship Funding. Please note that you may **not** apply for an Open-Oxford-Cambridge AHRC DTP studentship via more than one university in the consortium.

Student/Applicant ID *(if known)*

Surname/Family name and initial(s)

University

Department/Faculty/School

Name of programme *(e.g. PhD in Music)*

If you have already started, please list the start date (MMM-YYYY) and mode (full/part time)

If you are applying for a Collaborative Doctoral Award, please give the project title as advertised on the Open-Oxford-Cambridge DTP website.

AHRC Subject Areas

The Open-Oxford-Cambridge DTP supports discipline-based projects in all of the subjects covered by the Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC), but also welcomes interdisciplinary research and research in emerging fields of study and creative practice. Your primary research topic must fall within the subjects supported by the AHRC. Please select the main subject area(s) of your proposed research. If your subject is not listed in the drop-down menu, please select 'Other' and specify.

Area 1

Area 2

2. Research proposal

You are advised to discuss your proposal with a prospective supervisor. Please also refer to the full guidance for candidates on the Open-Oxford-Cambridge AHRC DTP website when completing this section of the form.

Your proposal should clearly articulate the aims, objectives, originality and significance of the research. It should engage with appropriate literature, outline methods, and address potential impact. It should also include a plan for completion. You may copy and paste text into the form, but please note that each field has a set character limit. In-text citations count towards the limit. You may to wish use a short author-date style for referencing; please do not use footnotes.

Research project title

Please give a brief working title for your proposed research project. The assessors understand that this is likely to change during the course of your studies.

Introduction

Please introduce your proposed research project (in no more than 200 words). This section should succinctly outline: the main research question and/or issue that you intend to address; the broad field of study within which your research falls; the significance of your project, e.g. how it might contribute to scholarship in your particular field.

Research context, questions and significance

Elaborating on the introduction, please explain (in no more than 500 words) the context, questions and significance of your proposed research. This section should identify the key literature in the field and explain how your research seeks to intervene in, and/or contribute to, this area of scholarship. You should set out your research questions clearly and explain why they are important. When considering the significance of your research, you should identify which disciplines and/or fields of study will benefit from this project. If relevant, you could also indicate the significance of your research to organisations and audiences outside academia, e.g. if there is potential for impact in the cultural sector or in policy.

Research methods, project plan and timetable

Please explain (in no more than 500 words) how you intend to answer your research questions as set out in the previous section. Your focus here will vary depending on your discipline and research topic. This section may address: key materials and/or sources for your research (e.g. texts, archives, collections, databases, field sites, research participants); specific research methods and/or methodological approaches; any ethical issues that you will need to address in undertaking your research. You should also include a short plan for completing the project within the period of the award. This should outline the time it will take to research and write up each section of your proposed project.

Reference list

Use this section to provide details of key works referred to in your research proposal, up to a maximum of 20.

3. Preparedness for research

This section of the form allows you to demonstrate that you have the core qualifications, skills and experience required to successfully undertake your proposed doctorate, as well as a plan to acquire and/or develop any additional skills that are needed for your research.

University education or equivalent

Please list any university qualifications, e.g. undergraduate and masters-level degrees. Please include class or grade of degree, if known.

University/ institution	Qualification (e.g. BA)	Qualification subject	Start and award date	Class or grade

Research-related skills: qualifications, training and achievements

Please list up to five language and/or other research-related skills that you have acquired and that are directly relevant to your proposed project. For example, if your research involves work on 18th-century French archives, you should indicate your competency in French and any training you have had in palaeography. Please give brief details of professional qualifications, training courses and/or academic achievements (e.g. prize, award or publication) that evidence these skills, with institutions and dates where relevant.

Skill and competency	Details of qualifications, training courses and/or achievements

Preparedness for research statement

Please summarise (in no more than 500 words) how your academic and professional background equips you to undertake your proposed project. You should refer to the skills and experience that will enable you to complete your doctorate successfully, whether gained via academic study or in other ways (e.g. via work experience). The DTP offers generic and tailored skills training. Please identify any research skills you would need to acquire for the successful completion of your doctorate and how you plan to address them during the course of your studies.

4. Special circumstances

The Open-Oxford-Cambridge AHRC DTP is committed to ensuring that all candidates are considered fairly and equally for funding. Please outline (*in no more than 200 words*) any individual or personal circumstances that have significantly impacted upon your prior educational opportunity, and that you would like the Studentship Selection Panel to take into consideration when evaluating your application, particularly in terms of 'preparedness for research'. This might include (*for example*) details of disability, chronic or acute illness, caring responsibilities, educational or socio-economic background.

Please check the file size of your completed form. If it is larger than 2MB, you will need to reduce the file size by selecting the print to pdf function. Further instructions in the guidance to candidates on the OOC DTP website