

**Full time PhD Studentship:  
Investigating Mental Health and Distress in Society.**



# **Applicant Pack**

## **University of Wolverhampton PhD Studentship**

The School of Nursing and the newly formed Centre of Applied and Inclusive Health Research (CAIR) are offering a fully funded full time PhD studentship (£18, 622+ £4800 Tuition fees)

Closing Date: **19<sup>th</sup> June 2024**

Interview Date: **Week commencing 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024 at City or Walsall Campus.**

### **Bursary Role Descriptor**

Funding is available to support a full time fully funded studentship plus tuition fees (3 years) from September 2024 (or before depending on the successful candidate). This PhD studentship will form part of a jointly supported programme of knowledge mobilisation activity between the School of Nursing and the Centre of Applied and Inclusive Research, situated in the Faculty of Education, Health, and Wellbeing. It will complement an existing commercial offering CatMap-Education and Training for external partners de-escalating stressful and potentially violent situations.

### **The Study**

The PhD student will be expected to attend the University (typically Wolverhampton City Campus and Walsall campus). This provides an exciting balance of colleagues to work with within a vibrant School of Nursing, and the Centre of Applied and Inclusive Health Research (CAIR), situated in the Faculty of Education, Health, and Wellbeing. CAIR aims to develop, promote, and inspire health research that is designed and delivered to address societal challenges and improve health outcomes through inclusive, world-class health research, and research-inspired teaching. This will provide PG teaching development and doctoral training, complementary to the PhD research (agreed in advance with the supervisory team). Primarily, the focus and main aim shall remain the successful completion of the PhD in the allotted timeframe. The study will develop and evaluate a programme investigating compassionate approaches to mitigating aggression in society. The intention is

to mobilise new knowledge and approaches mitigating the risk potential for anger and aggression.

### Bursary

The studentship is for 3 years and is intended to start in September 2024 and/or January 2025. The studentship provides a tax-free stipend of £18,662 per year plus the tuition fees at the UK/EU rate. Due to funding restrictions, this studentship is only open to UK/EU applicant.

### Personal Specification

Attribute	Essential	Desirable
Academic Qualifications	First Degree, 1st, 2:1 & A masters-level qualification in Mental Health, Psychology, Nursing/Professional related discipline.	
Professional Qualifications		Accreditation to/Registration with a Professional Body, or demonstrates ability to register.
General Skills/ Experience	Good IT skills, including data analysis skills (cv)  Good communication and interpersonal skills, written and oral (cv and interview)	Personal initiative, reliability, attention to detail (cv and interview)
Specific Skills/ Experience	Can demonstrate experience/contemporary understanding of working with people with mental health and distress.  Experience of working in an environment where people can demonstrate distress and potential violence, or with population groups, such as people with mental health needs and/or intellectual disabilities.  Good understanding of qualitative and quantitative research methods and designs [cv, interview]  Understanding of applied research methodologies with translatable benefits to people and populations groups.	Demonstrate an appreciation of how to manage and deescalate distress and potential violence (cv and interview)

Specific Qualities related to this studentship.	<p>Experience of analysing qualitative and quantitative data (cv and interview).</p> <p>Ability to work independently and set realistic but attainable goals (cv, interview).</p> <p>Ability to work and contribute to a team (cv and interview).</p>	
Other	Commitment to the University's policy framework on diversity/PG Research framework and the University's and policies on health and safety.	

### How do I Apply?

For an informal discussion about this opportunity please email:

Professor Martin Bollard

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Applicants should email a CV and covering letter detailing their suitability for the project and contact details of two referees to [M.Bollard@wlv.ac.uk](mailto:M.Bollard@wlv.ac.uk). Please clearly indicate with the reference "PhD MHSONCAIR" in the title of the email and on your cover letter.

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**Enrolment: September 2024, January 2025**