



## Maynooth/Partner Co-Fund PhD Scholarship

### Expressions of Interest

1. The Terms and Conditions of the **Maynooth/Partner Co-Funded PhD Scholarships** must be read prior to completing this application form.
2. **Expressions of Interest (EOI) Forms** must be submitted from members of academic **staff and** submitted to the Graduate Studies Office **by the 16<sup>th</sup> March 2017**. Subsequent to the approval by the Postgraduate Scholartic Funding Board, successful supervisors will be advised and Maynooth/Partner Co-Fund PhD scholars must be recruited.
3. Please ensure that all sections of the form are completed.
4. Return the completed application form to Marie Murphy: [marie.murphy@mu.ie](mailto:marie.murphy@mu.ie)

<b>Project title</b>	
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### Supervisor Details

<b>Name</b>	
<b>Department</b>	
<b>Telephone</b>	
<b>Email address</b>	

### Details of other Supervisory Team Members

	<b>Co-supervisor 1 (if applicable)</b>	<b>Co-supervisor 2 (if applicable)</b>
<b>Name</b>		
<b>Institution</b>		
<b>Department</b>		
<b>Telephone</b>		
<b>Email address</b>		

### Co-Fund Partner Details

Please note the term Co-Fund Partner shall mean a business, company, a social, cultural, registered charity, not-for-profit, governmental organisation or research performing organisation which can be based anywhere in the world.
<b>Organisation Name:</b>
<b>Co-Fund Partner Mentor:</b>
<b>Phone Number:</b>
<b>Email Address:</b>
<b>Address:</b>
<b>Please provide a Letter of Support from the partner, confirming mentorship, where applicable and financial support for the duration of the scholarship.</b>

<b>Abstract of proposed project(200 words max.)</b>
The abstract should provide the reader with a clear understanding of the objectives of the proposal, how they will be achieved and the potential application of the research findings. Please bear in mind this could be read by non-specialists, as well as peers, and should be written in order to communicate effectively.

<b>Research Proposal (30 marks)</b>
<b>Your research proposal should address:</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Aims, objectives and central research question/ hypothesis under investigation</li><li>2. Methodology to include, for example, investigative and analytic methods and theoretical frameworks</li><li>3. Research schedule to include Programme of work and project schedule envisaged, including an outline of deliverables and significant milestones (charts and diagrams may be included as appropriate);</li><li>4. Description of the relationship of the project to existing state of the art. Suggest how the project will make a new contribution to knowledge; outline the originality and innovative nature of the proposed project. (Do not provide bibliographical lists or footnotes here).</li><li>5. Please outline the Co-Fund Partner's involvement in the research programme for the proposed research.</li></ol>

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<b>Training and Career Development Plan (15 marks)</b>
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Provide details of training and career development objectives for the scholar including structured elements which will be provided to the postgraduate candidate at research centre/ departmental level and at institutional level. Describe any specialist knowledge/ data required to undertake the project, (e.g. language competence, technical skills, use of specialist software etc. Describe plans for acquiring this knowledge/ data. Outline, where applicable, how the PhD candidate will benefit by having access to other national/ international academic research centres or industry partner site(s). Please provide details of any internships, or onsite training that will be provided by the Co-Fund Partner.
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<b>Ethical Statement</b>
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Please outline any ethical considerations with regard to your proposed research. Research ethics applies to all researchers who conduct research that involves human and animal subjects. For example, if you are going to conduct a survey or interview human subjects then you will require ethical approval.
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<b>Dissemination and Impact (15 marks)</b>
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Please outline how results of the research project will be disseminated. Demonstrate how the project will add value leading to greater sustainability of research at Maynooth University. Demonstrate the potential impact of the research nationally and internationally.
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<b>Relevance of proposal to the research strategy of the Department (30 marks)</b>
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Outline the relevance of the research proposal to the Department's research and teaching strategies. Please include details of any support available through the Department, or Co-Fund Partner (if applicable) e.g. lab / space, materials, equipment, costs for travel, or consumables. Also include if applicable any support made available to the PhD candidate by external collaborators.
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## DECLARATION

- I hereby declare that I have read the Maynooth/Partner Co-Funded PhD Scholarships terms and conditions and agree to be bound by them.
- All information reported within this application is true and accurate.

**Signature**

(Principal Investigator)

**Date**

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**Signature**

(Co-Supervisor)

**Date**

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**Signature**

(Co-Supervisor)

**Date**

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- The Department of [Please insert] is happy to support the above application and undertakes that, if successful, the recruited Scholar will give two hours of academic development activities (tutoring, outreach activities, lab work etc.) during the academic term from semester two of year one, for the duration of the Scholarship (i.e. 42 months), in fulfilment of the requirements of the Programme.
- All academic development activities (outreach activities, tutoring, lab work etc.) must be logged on the timetabling system to facilitate the validation of the scholar's contribution.

**Signature**

(Head of Department)

**Date**

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Date received	Reference no.	Eligibility check (Y/N)	Result	Initials