

Research in Practice (RinP) Placement Opportunities

Information for Host Organisations

What is a Research in Practice (RinP) placement?

A social sciences postgraduate researcher (PGR) from the [White Rose Doctoral Training Partnership \(WRDTP\)](#) will spend the equivalent of 3 months working with you on a discrete project, challenge or research question.

This gives our PGR a practical opportunity to apply their specialist theoretical knowledge and research skills in different contexts. It ensures that they have the wider core skills essential for a successful career in academic and non-academic sectors.

Projects can be designed using the [Placement Framework](#) either in collaboration with the PGR, or by the Host with an outcome of your choice.

They could address particular issues or challenges that your organisation is facing, or they could provide extra resource for projects that you might not have the time to focus on.

They could examine topics that are linked to our expert knowledge across seven [Interdisciplinary Pathways](#).

Projects are welcome from Host Organisations in any industry, sector & size.

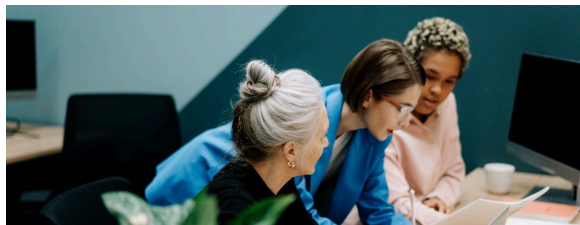
How will you benefit from hosting a placement?



- Minimal (or no) cost to you, as the PGR's salary is funded by the PhD studentship award.
- Brings a fresh perspective to your organisation, and helps to link practice with the latest academic knowledge.
- Provides an opportunity to harness specialist knowledge and research skills from leading experts that might not otherwise be available to you.
- Gives your staff the experience of supervising and working with researchers.
- Raises awareness of your organisation and provides you with access to talent in the region to help you innovate and grow.
- Cultivates and builds upon relationships with the WRDTP, our partner universities, and our researchers/ academic staff.

What types of projects are suitable?

An ideal project is a bespoke opportunity with a clear programme of activity to achieve a tangible output.



- Providing research support: conducting literature reviews, surveys and interviews; communicating findings.
- Assisting on policy work: writing briefing papers or policy notes; participating in a policy inquiry; organising a policy event.
- Data: collection, management, analysis, monitoring; preparing reports and presentations.
- Developing and contributing to the delivery of workshops, seminars, and training sessions for stakeholders.
- Designing and producing media (e.g. videos, podcasts, leaflets, social media posts); arranging for their translation into other languages.
- Organising, attending and facilitating events.

- Funding: identifying future opportunities; assisting in the preparation of project proposals, grant applications; reviewing and analysing previous figures.
- Knowledge exchange: identifying and pursuing new opportunities; building relationships with new and existing clients and stakeholders.

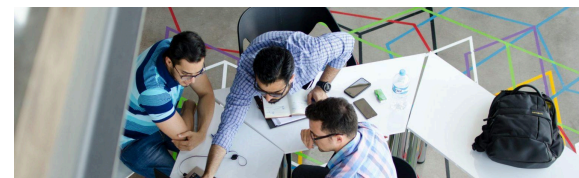
Please note this list is by no means exhaustive, and other projects will be considered.

What does my organisation need to do to participate?

- Be added to a repository for speculative applications from interested PGR (recommended); and/or design a suitable project and complete the [Placement Opportunity Template](#) for the WRDTP to advertise on our [opportunities webpage](#).
- Process the applications received, and select a suitable candidate.
- Provide a voluntary contribution for the additional costs associated with the placement (if any) e.g. travel and accommodation, specialist equipment.
- Read and sign a Placement Agreement (or equivalent document) with the university and the PGR pre-placement to

confirm expectations with regards to health, safety, welfare and professional development.

- Provide: 1) a main point of contact to supervise a PGR for a 3-month placement; 2) opportunities for the PGR to collaborate with your organisation/ team; 3) feedback and encouragement throughout the placement.
- Support the PGR to complete the [assessment for their placement activity](#).
- Complete a feedback survey.



Interested in hosting a placement student?

Complete the template

Complete the EOI form

Or get in touch with the WRDTP team on placements@wrdtp.ac.uk to discuss the opportunity further.

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