**Northern Bridge Consortium Collaborative Doctoral Awards Competition (Staff-led)**

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| CANDIDATE SPECIFICATION |

Successful projects will be advertised on the Northern Bridge Consortium website to aid recruitment:

<http://www.northernbridge.ac.uk/applyforastudentship/cda/>

Please therefore complete the following Candidate Specification so that advertising can begin as soon as possible following the outcome of the competition:

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| ***For further information about this Collaborative Doctoral Award and to submit an Expression of Interest, please contact:*** | | | | |
| **Lead Supervisor (or Alternative Contact):** | | Dr Sophie Ward | | |
| **Email:** | | [s.c.ward@durham.ac.uk](mailto:s.c.ward@durham.ac.uk) | | |
| **Expressions of Interest must be received no later than:** | | | | 4pm UK time Monday 3rd March 2025 |
| **Expressions of Interest must take the following format:** | | | | |
| *Please use this space to state the preferred format and any required accompanying documentation, e.g.*   * A short (approx. 500 word) personal statement addressing the candidate criteria outlined below, saying why you are interested in the work of Hand Of and why you are the right person to conduct this evaluation. * Bachelors/Masters transcripts and certificates. * An academic CV. * 2 letters of reference (at least one academic). | | | | |
| **Interviews for shortlisted candidates are expected to take place:** | | | | Week commencing Monday 10th March 2025. |
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| **CANDIDATE CRITERIA**  ***Candidates must also meet the criteria for acceptance on a doctoral programme as set out by the host institution’s Postgraduate Admissions Service. The successful candidate will be required to submit a postgraduate application to their host institution following notification that they are to be awarded a conditional CDA studentship, and meet the conditions of the offer of a place on the doctoral programme.*** | | | | |
| **Education and Professional Qualifications** | Essential Criteria | | Undergraduate degree in relevant discipline (2.1 OR 1st).  MA in a relevant discipline OR other relevant experience. | |
| Desirable Criteria | | Experience of working with children. | |
| **Research and Impact Experience and Training** | Essential Criteria | | Experience of conducting research. | |
| Desirable Criteria | | Experience of conducting independent research.  Experience of writing to publishable standard.  Familiarity with evaluation research. | |
| **Professional Practice and Job-related Experience** | Essential Criteria | | Good time management and ability to work to deadlines. Ability to set goals and priorities independently. | |
| Desirable Criteria | | Experience of delivering arts education.  Experience of working with vulnerable children. | |
| **Interpersonal Skills** | Essential Criteria | | Effective communication, organisational skills, ability to communicate with a range of people. | |
| Desirable Criteria | | Demonstrates commitment to and enthusiasm for the project. | |
| **Other Factors**  *Please note: This post is subject to a background disclosure check by the Disclosure and Barring Service before any appointment can be confirmed.* | Essential Criteria | | Ability and willingness to travel to schools and education settings including pupil referral units and children’s residential care homes in the North East of England. | |
| Desirable Criteria | |  | |