**COPY OF ONLINE APPLICATION FORM**

Co(l)laboratory Research Placements 20225

This document contains a copy of the questions asked in the online application form for 2025 Co(l)laboratory Research Placements. This is for the purposes of your preparation only. All final applications MUST be submitted via our online application form at <https://app.onlinesurveys.jisc.ac.uk/s/ntusurvey/placements-2025-apply> by the deadline of 11:59pm on 02 March 2025.

# Eligibility Check

A series of yes or no questions.

# Personal Details

This section asks you for your personal contact and identifying information. Please ensure that all personal details are correct, as these details will be used to register you if your application is successful.

**10. Forename(s)**

**11. Last name / family name**

**12. Email address**

**13. Contact phone number**

**14. Main country of permanent residence**

**15. Date of birth**

**17. Home address**

*Please provide your address in your country of permanent residence*

**18. Home postcode**

**19. Correspondence address and postcode**

*If different from your home address, please provide your correspondence address and postcode below*

**20. Contact telephone number**

*Please provide your main contact mobile or home telephone number*

**22. How did you hear about Co(l)laboratory PhD Studentships?**

*Please select all the apply*

* Social media
* Word of mouth
* Through a current or recent employer
* Spoke to someone involved with Co(l)laboratory
* Community and Volunteering Service
* Co(l)laboratory Newsletter
* Google (or other search engine)
* Other

**23. You selected other. Please specify.**

# Main Application Questions

You must provide the title of the relevant Co(l)laboratory 2025 Research Placement project that you wish to apply to. Applications without a project title, with multiple titles, or which name a project that is not one of the available projects will be rejected. Details of all of our available projects can be found on our applications page, here: <https://ufncollaboratory.ac.uk/placement2025/>

**Application Questions**

Co(l)laboratory Research Placements are designed to give promising local candidates the opportunity to develop themselves while contributing to meaningful, community change through short, hands-on research projects.

These application questions will help us understand why you want to take on this research placement and what you hope to gain from it.

Please pay close attention to the maximum and minimum word limits. This is to ensure applicants provide us with an appropriate amount of detail to be able to make an informed decision about your application.

**You can only submit one application for one project.**

**21. What is the title of project you are applying to?**

**22. Experience and achievements**

*Please provide details of any relevant professional, voluntary, personal, or other experience that you feel is relevant to this application and helps demonstrate how you meet the Essential and Desired competencies of the project to which you are applying. (max 500 words)*

**23. Why are you interested in undertaking this specific research placement project?**

*Prompt: What about this specific research project motivates, excites and interests you? Why this project and not another, similar opportunity? (min 100 words, max 500 words)*

**24. What makes you prepared to undertake this specific Research Placement project?**

*Prompt: How do your skills, experience and other attributes make you well prepared for the requirements and challenges of undertaking this research opportunity, specifically? (min 100 words, max 500 words)*

**25. What would you hope to gain from undertaking this Research Placement project?**

*Prompt: How might undertaking this placement support your future personal and/or professional ambitions? (min 100 words, max 500 words)*

**54. What would be the impact on you personally if you were to successfully complete this PhD project?**

# Equal Opportunities Monitoring

All applicants to the Co(l)laboratory Research Placements programme are considered solely on the basis of their merits, abilities and potential, regardless of gender identity, ethnic or national origin, age (subject to the university regulations on minimum age), disability, religion, sexual orientation or any other irrelevant distinction.

All applications are completely anonymised before being passed to the project supervisory teams for shortlisting. None of the information you share in this portion of the form will have any impact on your application to the programme. The details you provide here are used only for anonymous reporting to our funders, Research England, on diversity data, to understand who applies to our programme and to ensure we are meeting our commitments to support fairness, equity and inclusion.

*You can also choose "prefer not to say" to any or all  of these questions.*

**26. What is your gender?**

**28. Is the gender you identify with the same as your sex as registered at birth?**

**29. What is your ethnicity?**

**31. What is your religion?**

**33. Do you have a disability, specific learning difference, mental health or medical condition?**

**34. If your disability, impairment or long-standing health condition is not listed above, please specify**

**35. If you have indicated that you have a disability. Would you like to be guaranteed an interview if you meet the minimum essential project criteria, in line with our Disability Assurance scheme?**

**36. Would you like to disclose your disability status for the purpose of the application process?**

**37. What is your sexual orientation?**

**39. Do you have a higher education qualification (i.e., Bachelors degree)**

**40. Have you ever been in care?**

**41. Have one or more of your parents participated in Higher Education?**

**42. Do you have caring responsibilities?**

**43. Have you ever been in receipt of free school meals?**

# Declaration

*In this section you are asked to sign a declaration regarding the information you have provided as part of your application and to consent to the Universities for Nottingham using the information you have provided for further consideration of your application.*

***Applicant Declaration***

*I confirm that the information I have provided in this form is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge at this date. I understand that it is my responsibility to ensure that all parts of my application are submitted in due time and that any missing information may render my application incomplete and ineligible to be considered.*

**44. Applicant full name**

**45. Date of declaration**

# Terms and Conditions

**Universities for Nottingham Co(l)laboratory Research Placement Studentship Scheme terms and conditions:**

1. Applicants are allowed to make one application only for one project listed under the Universities for Nottingham Co(l)laboratory Research Placements Scheme.
2. Funding under the Co(l)laboratory Research Placements studentship scheme is only available to applicants who meet the eligibility requirements as detailed on the Co(l)laboratory website.
3. Only full and complete eligible applications submitted by the advertised deadline via the online application form, will be eligible for consideration.
4. Only complete and eligible applications will be considered.
5. The Universities for Nottingham Co(l)laboratory Research Placement Scheme is competitive. Selection of candidates is based on the quality of the application, successful interview, and alignment with aims and funding remit of the Universities for Nottingham Co(l)laboratory programme.
6. The host institution of this scheme, Nottingham Trent University, reserves the right to revoke the offer a Research Placement studentship, and terminate the studies of the applicant, if a studentship was awarded on the basis of information which turned out to be false or materially incorrect at the time of assessment, or if a candidate is in breach of the NTU PGR Code of Behaviour or Support to Study policies.
7. The final decisions for awarding a Co(l)laboratory Research Placement studentship will be made by Nottingham Trent University’s Director of Research Culture and Environment (or nominated representative). These decisions are final. There is no right of appeal for these funding decisions.
8. Applicants to the Universities for Nottingham Co(l)laboratory Research Placement Studentship Scheme will be considered on the basis of relevant experience, interest, motivation and potential to undertake research in the chosen area. This will be assessed through the application form and the interview.
9. The University of Nottingham and Nottingham Trent University are firmly committed to a diverse and inclusive research culture which is characterised by fairness and equality of opportunity for all.
10. Both Universities seek to ensure that applicants who wish to study with us are not subjected to unlawful discrimination by either institution based on the following nine protected characteristics: age, disability, gender identity, marriage or civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex or sexual orientation.

**46. Please confirm that you have read and understood the terms and condition**