

DurhamARCTIC Doctoral Scholarships available for students proposing to pursue Arctic research at Durham University

Durham University is pleased to announce a new doctoral training centre – the Durham Arctic Research Centre for Training and Interdisciplinary Collaboration (DurhamARCTIC) – that will fund 15 doctoral students pursuing degrees on Arctic-related topics, commencing with students entering in Autumn 2018.

DurhamARCTIC students are admitted into any doctoral programme, in any of the University's three faculties: Arts & Humanities, Science, and Social Sciences & Health. In addition to providing a waiver of UK/EU student fees, a maintenance stipend at the standard Research Council UK rate, and financial support for research and conference attendance, DurhamARCTIC provides a number of opportunities for interdisciplinary education including colloquia, summer schools, and an integrated residential community for programme students. DurhamARCTIC students enrol at Durham in three cohorts of five students each, with intakes in Autumn 2018, 2019, and 2020. Although students' research will be based in a single department, projects will have interdisciplinary supervisory committees and will be expected to benefit from, and contribute to, interdisciplinary collaboration.

DurhamARCTIC is managed by a Board of staff from seven departments (Anthropology, Archaeology, Biosciences, Geography, History, Law, and Modern Languages & Cultures) and is directed by Professor Phil Steinberg (Department of Geography). Funding for DurhamARCTIC's scholarship programme is made possible by a grant from the Leverhulme Trust to support doctoral training in Interdisciplinary Understanding for a Changing Arctic.

Arctic Research and Training at Durham University

Regularly ranked among the top 100 universities in the world and among the top 10 in the United Kingdom, Durham University has a particular expertise in Arctic studies. As the sole English member of the University of the Arctic, Durham has made a concerted investment to boost its Arctic profile, developing interdisciplinary and inter-university Arctic research and training initiatives. In 2017, academic staff were managing over £1.8 million in live grants focused on Arctic research and training, with funding from the UK Natural Environment Research Council, Leverhulme Trust, British Geological Survey, US Geological Survey, Norwegian Research Council, and European Commission. Over 40 staff across the university's three faculties have expertise in Arctic research and at any given time over 20 PhD students are pursuing Arctic topics.

For More Information

For more information about the programme, as well as application details, please see the DurhamARCTIC website at <http://durhamarctic.wordpress.com>. Enquiries may be sent to Professor Phil Steinberg at durham.arctic@durham.ac.uk. Please note that the application deadline for students intending to enter in Autumn 2018 is **2 February 2018**.