ESRC-funded Collaborative PhD Studentship

The use of information communications technology (ICT) and labour market intelligence (LMI) in careers education and guidance

University of Warwick: Doctoral Studentships in the Social Sciences

The ESRC Doctoral Training Centre at the University of Warwick, one of 21 such centres in the UK, embodies the university’s commitment to producing the next generation of leaders in social science research. Internationally renowned for its research excellence, Warwick is now inviting applications for an ESRC-funded Collaborative PhD Studentship, in association with our collaborative partner Adviza, to commence in October 2016.

The host department for the PhD at the University of Warwick is the Institute for Employment Research (IER) (http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/ier/aboutier/). Our partner Adviza (http://www.adviza.org.uk/) is a registered charity inspiring people to make better decisions that help them progress in learning and work. The PhD student will be registered in the IER and will work collaboratively with Adviza throughout the duration of the award.

PhD Content

The plan for the research is to investigate the use of information communications technology (ICT) and labour market intelligence (LMI) in careers education and guidance. It will explore methodological findings in a rich literature surrounding the use of ICT and LMI in supporting school-to-work transitions. The research plan will focus on how practices can be successfully transferred and adapted to support pedagogy and andragogy in differing education and employment contexts.

Supervisors

The project will be jointly supervised by Dr Deirdre Hughes OBE (IER) and Professor Chris Warhurst (IER). Part of the PhD will also be co-supervised by Sue Gale (Adviza).

Eligibility

The successful candidate will have a strong academic background, ideally with a Master’s degree in a relevant subject. ESRC studentships, which cover fees and maintenance stipend and extensive support for research training, as well as research activity support grants, can only be awarded to applicants who fulfil ESRC eligibility criteria. To check your eligibility, visit: http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/cross_fac/esrcdtc/studywithus/eligibility/
Application Process

To be considered for this PhD studentship, please email the IER Administrative Officer, L.horsler@warwick.ac.uk attaching a single pdf document that includes the following:

- A cover letter (maximum 2 pages) indicating your interest in the PhD and how your experience to date prepares you for this PhD study;
- a full academic CV;
- The postal address, email and telephone number details for two academic referees who can comment on your suitability for PhD study (and who can be contacted in advance of the interviews).

The subject line of your email should be COLLABORATIVE STUDENTSHIP

Further Information

Informal inquiries about the research prior to application can be directed to Dr Deirdre Hughes OBE, Principal Research Fellow (IER) email: deirdre.hughes@warwick.ac.uk or Sue Gale, Delivery Director (Adviza) email: suegale@adviza.org.uk.

For further information see the IER website http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/soc/ier/study/phd/funding/collabscholarship

Application deadline: Friday 22 April 2016, 12 noon

Interviews: Thursday 26 May 2016