



**NIHR Applied Research Collaboration Oxford and Thames Valley  
Mental Health Theme PhD Scholar at the University of Oxford**

We are pleased to invite UK applications for a doctoral degree within the Mental Health Theme of the Oxford and Thames Valley NIHR Applied Research Collaboration ([https://www.arc-oxtv.nihr.ac.uk/our\\_work/Mental\\_health\\_across\\_the\\_life\\_course](https://www.arc-oxtv.nihr.ac.uk/our_work/Mental_health_across_the_life_course)) to be based in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Oxford. The 3-year doctoral degree will start in October 2022.

The focus of the research must contribute to at least one of the overall priorities of the ARC to:

- Improve patient outcomes across Oxford and the Thames Valley
- Lead evidence-based implementation nationally
- Provide high-quality evidence of clinical and cost-effectiveness
- Develop new services addressing key NHS and public health priorities

Prior to submitting an application, you will need to contact a potential supervisor within the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Oxford with your research proposal. The supervisor must have committed to provide supervision for your proposed DPhil project. Our research can be found at: <https://www.psych.ox.ac.uk/research>

The scholarship funds course fees, a tax-free stipend (currently £15,609 per annum), plus modest additional support for research expenses, conference attendance, and consumables.

Applicants should have at least an upper second-class honours degree in a relevant discipline. Interests should include applied mental health research and the applicant must demonstrate a commitment to involving patients and the public in research.

Applicants should apply through the [formal University procedure](#).

Applications should include a CV (including details of previous degree(s) awarded and grades achieved), a covering letter clearly explaining how the proposal fits the remit of the Oxford and Thames Valley ARC generally and the mental health theme specifically, a letter of support from the primary supervisor, and a research proposal (maximum of 2 A4 pages).

**For enquiries please contact:** [tracy.lindsey@psych.ox.ac.uk](mailto:tracy.lindsey@psych.ox.ac.uk)

**Deadline for submission of applications:** Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021, 12.00 noon (UK time).

**Interview date:** w/c 17<sup>th</sup> January 2022

**Studentship Code:** 22PSYCH-NIHR-ARC-WEB