Durham International Fellowships for Research and Enterprise (COFUND)

The IAS administers the Durham International Fellowships for Research and Enterprise (DfREns). DfREns (2010 - 2014) and DfREns2 (2014 - 2019) have received funding from the European Union's Seventh Framework Programme for research, technological development and demonstration under grant agreement numbers 267209 and 609412. The schemes are COFUNDed by Durham University and European Union, and encompass two main fellowship schemes:

**Junior Research Fellowship Scheme**

The scheme is designed to attract the most talented researchers in Europe and beyond, and to build international networks of scholars with a common passion for today's most important research challenges. Junior Research Fellowships are recruited to commence between July and October. Starting salaries are in the range of £31,342 - £35,256 p.a. For details on this scheme visit the Junior Research Fellowship Scheme webpage.

**Senior Fellowship Scheme**

This scheme is designed to gather together scholars, researchers, policy makers or practitioners from around the world and across the full spectrum of science, social science, arts and humanities to address themes of global significance in collaboration with Durham's Research Institutes and researchers. Two classes of Fellowship are recruited: Senior Research Fellowships and Policy and Enterprise Fellowships. For details on this scheme visit the Senior Fellowship Scheme webpage.


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" For the duration of the Fellowship, I was fully integrated in the life of Durham University, participating to workshops, colloquia and seminars, strengthening and deepening the fruitful contacts and links already established (March, 2012) "

Dr Isabella Lazzarini, University of Molise, Italy
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Related Links

Eligibility Flowchart

Marie Skłodowska-Curie
Durham International Senior Fellowships

This Fellowship is currently open for recruitment. Please read the website and Further Particulars for full details.

The EU-sponsored Durham International Fellowships for Research and Enterprise (DiFeREns) allows Durham University to gather together scholars, researchers, policy makers or practitioners from around the world and across the full spectrum of science, social science, arts and humanities to address themes of global significance in collaboration with Durham's Research Institutes and researchers.

As part of the DiFeREns scheme Durham University recruits two types of Senior Fellow:

- Senior Research Fellowships
- Policy and Enterprise Fellowships

Up to 24 Fellowships will be available in (2015-16): 16 Senior Research Fellowships and 8 Policy and Enterprise Fellowships.

Applications are encouraged from individuals who wish to work on collaborative research projects with one of Durham University's thematic Institutes or with the Durham University Business School (DUBS):

- Biophysical Sciences Institute (BSI)
- Durham Energy Institute (DEI)
- Durham Global Security Institute (DGSI)
- Institute of Advanced Research Computing (IARC)
- Institute of Computational Cosmology (ICC)
- Institute of Hazard, Risk and Resilience (IHRR)
- Institute of Medieval and Early Modern Studies (IMEMS)
- Institute of Particle Physics Phenomenology (IPPP)
- Wolfson Research Institute (WRI)

However, applications are also welcome from individuals wishing to collaborate on a research project associated with other research groups or Research Centres at Durham University.

To be eligible, in line with the terms of funding set by Marie Curie, "researchers must not have resided or carried out their main activity (work, studies, etc) in the country of their host organisation for more than 12 months in the 3 years immediately prior to the reference date. Compulsory national service and/or short stays such as holidays are not taken into account". The reference date is 1 July 2015. For full details please visit http://cordis.europa.eu/fp7/dc/index.cfm?fuseaction=UserSite.PeopleDetailsCallPage&call_id=381.

Before applying, applicants must seek the agreement of a Durham academic to act as their host.

The closing date for applications, for both categories of Fellowship is 09 January 2015.

For further details about both categories of Fellowship and how to apply please consult the '2015 Senior Fellowships - Further Particulars' document below.

Durham Senior Fellowships - Further Particulars

- 2015 Senior Fellowships - Further Particulars (last modified: 16 October 2014)
The DIFeREns2 project has received funding from the European Union’s Seventh Framework Programme for research, technological development and demonstration under grant agreement no 609412.

Related Links

COFUND Senior / Policy & Enterprise Fellows
Durham Colleges
Durham Departments
Durham International Junior Research Fellowships

This Fellowship is open for applications. Please read the materials in full and apply through the Durham University online application system.

The Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) scheme is designed to attract the most talented researchers in Europe and beyond, and build international networks of scholars with a common passion for the deepest theoretical questions and most pressing practical problems facing humanity.

The JRF scheme is aimed at researchers with significant post-doctoral experience, but recent doctorands of exceptional ability and researchers who have followed non-traditional academic career paths (such as in private corporations, NGOs or industry) are also encouraged to apply. JRFs will pursue new research ideas of their own design, undertaken in collaboration with academic researchers at Durham University.

Applicants are encouraged to take advantage of the diverse spectrum of opportunities offered by the Institute Durham, which span the Sciences, Social Sciences and Humanities, and link their proposals to research programmes of the Institutes and their constituent research centres. These Institutes are listed below. Applicants may, however, submit a research proposal that is independent of the Institutes or the Durham Business School provided that they have a coherent and cogent reason why this research should be conducted in Durham: such “free-standing” Junior Fellows will be affiliated to the Institute of Advanced Study.

- Biophysical Sciences Institute (BSI)
- Durham University Business School (DUBS)
- Durham Energy Institute (DEI)
- Durham Global Security Institute (DGSI)
- Institute of Advanced Study (IAS)
- Institute of Advanced Research Computing (IARC)
- Institute of Computational Cosmology (ICC)
- Institute of Hazard, Risk and Resilience (IHRR)
- Institute of Medieval and Early Modern Studies (IMEMS)
- Institute of Particle Physics Phenomenology (IPPP)
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There are no nationality restrictions, but the award of a Fellowship will be conditional on a visa and work permit being secured, if required, from the UK Border Agency.

A member of the Durham academic staff will act as host and Mentor for each Fellow. Before applying, applicants MUST seek the agreement of a Durham academic to act as their host. The host will help the researcher refine their research proposal and ensure that the appropriate facilities for the conduct of the research project are available in the University. The host is required to complete a proforma (below), which is a required part of the application documentation. For advice on finding hosts, please visit our Finding an Academic Host page.
document below.

Application materials will need to be submitted through the Durham University *online application system* under vacancy reference number 4076. The deadline for applications is **Friday 05 December 2014**.

We are fully committed to eliminating discrimination and actively promoting equality of opportunity for our staff and students in line with our University Strategy. For more information please visit our [Diversity and Equality](https://www.dur.ac.uk/ias/diversity/junior/) page.