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Application Form
Postgraduate qualifications
in Educational and Social Research

Please complete and return this **original** application form, together with the appropriate documentary evidence (see page 4 for details) **by post**, to the Postgraduate Admissions Office, External System, University of London, Ground floor, Stewart House, 32 Russell Square, London WC1B 5DN, UK. **Please note that faxed applications will not be accepted.**

The form should be received in London as early as possible, but **not later than 30 June** if you wish to start studying in September, or by **31 October** if you wish to start studying in January.

Applications will be considered when **all** the required documentation **and** both references have been received in the Postgraduate Admissions Office.

1-8. Personal details (please write in BLOCK CAPITALS)

1. Surname/family name	First/given name(s)
2. Please record your names below IN THE ORDER in which you wish them to appear on the University's records and on your final certificate or diploma (i.e. does your family name <i>normally</i> come first or last?).	
3. Title Mr <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/>	4. Gender Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/>
5. Date of birth <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> / <input type="text"/> <small>day / month / year</small>	
6. Home address (please write in BLOCK CAPITALS)	7. Home contact
..... Post/Zip code Country	Telephone Fax Email
	8. Work contact
	Telephone Fax Email

9. Programme for which you wish to apply

Please tick (✓) one:

Masters of Research Postgraduate Diploma Postgraduate Certificate Short Course*

Short courses (modules of the degree) will only run at the date specified on the timetable **or** subject to demand.

*If you are applying to register for **one** short course please indicate below which course you wish to study:

10. Degree(s) held

Include the title of the degree, the name of the university or other institution, the classification of award, the main subjects studied and date the degree was awarded.

Title of degree	University	Honours Classification	Subject(s)	Date of award

11. Teaching/Professional qualifications (where applicable)

Title	Awarding body	Duration (inc. full or part time)	Subject	Date

12. English language proficiency

A. Is English your first language/mother tongue? Yes No

If 'No' which language do you normally speak

– at home

– at work

– what was your language of secondary education?.....

B. Have you passed an examination in English language (for example GCSE/GCE 'O'level, TOEFL or IELTS)?

No (Go to Question 13) Yes If 'yes' please give full details below.

Examination or test	Grade or score	Subject	Date

13. Current employment

Date started	Job title	Employer
Main Responsibilities		

18. Students with a disability and/or special needs

A. Do you have any condition that may require special examination arrangements to be made (eg. partial sight, wheelchair user, dyslexia, specific learning difficulties, legally imposed travel restrictions)?

Yes No (Please ✓ the appropriate box)

If 'Yes', please describe your condition(s)/circumstances

B. Taking account of the condition(s)/circumstances that you have described in 'A' above, do you have any special requirements with regard to the materials we will provide in support of your study programme? (eg. large print) Yes No (Please ✓ the appropriate box)

If 'Yes', please give details of those requirements

NOTE: In order for this request to be assessed, you must also write **as soon as possible** to the Special Examinations Arrangements Office, at the University of London address, with **full** details of your condition/circumstances, **together with medical/other documentary evidence** in support of your request. If your application for admission is successful and you are given an offer to register for this programme, please note that the offer will be made **subject to approval** being given that the special examination arrangements are possible and/or the study materials can be provided in the format you have requested.

19. Submitting your application

Documentary evidence of all your qualifications is needed in order for your application to be considered. This evidence must be submitted to the University together with the **original** of this application form. Please indicate, by a tick (✓) in the relevant box, the documents you are enclosing. If you are unable to supply the appropriate evidence for one or more of your qualifications, you should also enclose a letter giving your reasons.

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| 1. Photocopied evidence of your full name and date of birth (e.g. birth certificate, passport, statutory declaration) | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 2. Your original academic and/or professional certificate(s) showing the classification of award obtained (where applicable) | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| OR a photocopy of your original academic and/or professional certificate verified by the British Council (no other verification is acceptable) | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 3. An original statement/transcript of your academic and/or professional studies certified by the institution at which your qualification was obtained | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Your original English Language certificate | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| OR a photocopy of the original certificate/s verified by the British Council (no other verification is acceptable) | <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| 5. Your employment curriculum vitae (CV) | <input type="checkbox"/> | |

Note: all **original** documents submitted by you will be returned by International Recorded Delivery after your application has been processed. However, the University will keep all photocopies unless you request otherwise.

An original official translation into English must be provided for any evidence required that is not already in English. This translation will be retained by the University of London.

In addition to the above, please confirm whether you have asked two referees to send the forms of reference to the University of London directly (see 16 on previous page)

For office use only
Documents returned
(if applicable)

Date

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DECLARATIONS TO BE SIGNED BY THE APPLICANT

- I declare that the information I have given and the statements made by me on this form are, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and correct.
- I agree to the University of London processing my personal data contained in this form and other personal data that this University may obtain from me or from other people connected with my studies. I agree to the retention and disclosure of such data for normal academic and administrative purposes in accordance with the principles set out in the 1998 Data Protection Act.
- I confirm that I have (or will obtain) a computer system of a least the minimum specification on page 7 of the attached notes **and** regular access to the internet in order to meet the requirements of this programme.

Signature Date

Questionnaire on enquiry source

The purpose of this questionnaire is to help us establish a picture of our potential student body. All the information you give will be treated as confidential. None of the information that you provide will impact on your application. If you complete the following four questions as fully as possible, it will help us to plan our marketing strategy more effectively.

- 1. Age range** *(Please ✓)*
- Under 21 21–26 27–34 35–39 40–44
- 45–49 50–54 55–59 60–65 Over 65

2. Nationality

3. Country in which you will be resident for your studies

4. How did you first hear about the University of London External System? *(Please ✓ as many as apply)*

- I found it in an online educational directory (e.g. Studylink, Hotcourses, Gradschools)
- I found out at an exhibition
- I found out from my university
- I knew about it from reputation
- I saw an advertisement / article about the University of London in a newspaper / magazine
- I searched the internet
- From an education agent..... **1001**
- A family member or friend
- Through the British Council
- My employer told me
- The Institute of Education referred me

If you would be prepared to answer further questions about your involvement with the External System, please write your name and address here.

Name.....

Address.....

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How to apply and register

Postgraduate qualifications

in Educational and Social Research

Stage 1

Complete the application form and submit it by post (not by fax), together with all the documentation listed on page 4 of the form, to:

Postgraduate Admissions Office
External System
University of London
Ground floor, Stewart House
32 Russell Square
London WC1B 5DN
Tel: +44 (0)20 7862 8376
Fax: +44 (0)20 7862 8363
Email: postgraduate_admissions@london.ac.uk

If you cannot send all the documentation with your application form, please enclose a letter with the form giving the reasons. We must receive your application form plus all documentary evidence and references in London **by 14 July** if you intend to start studying in September, or by **30 September** if you intend to start studying in January. If your application form or documentary evidence/ references are received after this date, we may not be able to consider your application in time for you to register by the deadline for the next examination. You might have to postpone your first examination until the next sitting.

Stage 2

We will acknowledge receipt of your application form and send you a student number to use as a reference whenever you contact the University. Everyone who applies is allocated a number. You should receive an acknowledgement **within three weeks** of posting your application, but if you do not please contact the Postgraduate Admissions Office with details of your full name, the programme for which you have applied and the date you posted your form).

Stage 3

Your application will be considered only when we have received all your documentary evidence and both references. After due consideration you will be told if your application has been successful or not.

Note:

■ if there is a delay in sending any of the documentation or your references we will have to wait to receive them before we can begin considering your application. This is because we need to have as much information about you as possible before we can reach a decision.

Stage 4

If your application has been successful we will send you:

- a conditional offer of registration. Please note that the offer of registration will be valid only for the year specified in the offer letter.
- a fee slip for the registration and course fees
- a registration form on which you indicate your choice of courses
- a copy of the Regulations
- information on how to complete the induction module

Stage 5

To register, complete the registration form, fee slip, and the form confirming you have completed the induction module. Return them by **31 August** (if you intend to start studying in September), or by **30 November** (if you intend to start studying in January); together with the registration fee and the course fees for the courses you will be taking at your first examination, to:

Postgraduate Registry
External System
University of London
Ground floor, Stewart House
32 Russell Square
London WC1B 5DN
Tel: +44 (0)20 7862 8314
Fax: +44 (0)20 7862 8238
Email: Postgraduate.registry@london.ac.uk

Notes:

- You are asked to note that there is a limit to the number of students who can be registered for this programme. Therefore registration will only be confirmed on payment of the appropriate fee, if there is still a place available for that study year and if you have completed the induction module.
- A student whose registration is not confirmed will be made an offer to register for the following year instead.
- Applicants come to us from all over the world, with a variety of qualifications, and as a result we have to consider each application thoroughly and on an individual basis. We regret that it is not possible for us to give you any informal advice on your eligibility for admission. For this reason, you must make a formal application before we can tell you whether we can accept you.

Entrance requirements

You must be able to demonstrate your interest and experience in the field of educational research or social research **and** meet the following academic entrance requirements.

Academic requirements

A second class honours degree or the equivalent from an institution acceptable to the University of London.

English language

An advanced level of ability to work in English is essential. You may be required to pass or to have passed within the last three years, at the appropriate level, a test of proficiency in English acceptable to the University, e.g. in IELTS (International English Language Testing System) with an overall score of at least 7.0 **plus** a minimum score of 6.5 in both the reading and the writing sub-test or in TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) with a score of at least 650 (or 280 in the computerised test) **plus** a Test of Written English (TWE) with a minimum score of 4.5.

Note: if you do not meet the entrance requirements you may still apply. Each application will be considered on an individual basis and the decision taken at the discretion of the University.

Computing requirements

You will need a computer* with a connection to the Internet, either dial-up or broadband, which provides reliable access (i.e. for at least an hour a day). A printer is optional. If you already own a computer, please ensure that it meets the following specifications:

Minimum PC specification

Processor: Pentium compatible processor (500+ Mhz recommended)

OS: Windows XP or 2000

RAM Memory: 256Mb

Screen resolution: 800 x 600 colour

DVD-ROM drive: 24x or faster

At least 400Mb of free hard disk space It may be possible to increase the memory (RAM) and size of the hard disk to meet these requirements. If you are purchasing a new computer it will almost certainly meet these specifications.

Minimum Mac specification

You will require a Mac with at least a G3 processor running OS 9.x or later with Internet Access

Software required

Internet Explorer version 5.5 or above

JavaScript and cookie-enabled

(Mac users will need a modern browser, e.g. the latest version of Internet Explorer or Safari)

Acrobat Reader 5 or above

A word processor and spreadsheet such as MS Word 97 and MS Excel 97

* Please ensure that the computer you intend to use when accessing the online learning environment can accept cookies (students using a corporate or other network should check with their network administrator).

Technical skills

Word-processing, Internet and email skills are all basic requirements of this programme. No previous experience of computer conferencing is required as these skills will be developed during the programme.

Financial assistance

No financial assistance is available from the University. Some employers in both the public and the private sector may be willing to consider offering financial assistance to their employees.

Students who are resident in the UK may be able to apply for a Career Development Loan. Information can be obtained from the CDL Information Line on 0800 585 505 or from their website www.lifelonglearning.dfes.gov.uk/cdl

Disabled students who are resident in the UK may also be able to apply for a Disabled Student Allowance (DSA). For a copy of the information leaflet, which answers most of the questions commonly asked about DSA's, please contact either your LEA or the DIUS Information Line on 0800 731 9133 or on textphone 0800 210 280. The information is also available on audio tape or in braille. The guide is available on the DIUS website: www.dius.gov.uk/studentssupport

Students who are members of the UK Armed Forces should note that the University of London has been approved by the Ministry of Defence in support of the Enhanced Learning Credits (ELC) Scheme (ELC Provider Reference Number 1284). The Scheme provides financial support to eligible Service personnel who wish to enhance their educational or vocational achievements. The ELC administration Service website can be found at: www.enhancedlearningcredits.co.uk

Fees

The fees shown below refer to the 2009-2010 academic year only and are subject to annual review. Fees include all core study materials but are exclusive of the cost of sitting examinations outside of London. This cost varies and is payable to your local examination authority.

Flexible payment – pay upfront or pay as you go: you choose.

MRes	£6,790
Postgraduate Diploma	£4,780
Postgraduate Certificate	£2,770

These fees are made up of: a one-off registration fee of £760, plus £335 per 10 credits. For example, the module 'Approaches to educational research' is 30 credits, therefore will cost: 3 x £335 = £1,005

Fees for short courses: students taking a single module for professional development pay:

10 credit modules	£560
20 credit modules	£985
30 credit modules	£1,420

Information for students with a disability and/or special needs

The University has a panel that considers applications for special examination arrangements. The aim of the panel is to ensure that a student with a disability is not advantaged or disadvantaged when compared with other students.

If you have a disability/special need and may need special examination arrangements (such as extra time or special aids), or as a result of your condition/circumstances, you may wish to apply for your study materials to be provided in an alternative format (e.g. large print), you should complete the relevant section of the application form. You should also write to the Special Needs Coordinator at the following address enclosing medical or other supporting evidence:

Special Needs Coordinator
External System
University of London
Ground floor, Stewart House
32 Russell Square
London WC1B 5DN
United Kingdom
Fax: +44 (0)20 7862 8349
email: specialneeds@london.ac.uk

You can request a copy of the University of London's full disability statement. Please refer to the Admissions contact details on page 6, or download it from our website: www.londonexternal.ac.uk/dissn