

07 March 2019

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Sent via email to mylene.receveur@orange.fr

Dear Mylene,

I am pleased to inform you that you have been awarded a fully funded PhD studentship that will enable you to undertake postgraduate research studies within the Edinburgh Earth, Ecology and Environment Doctoral Training Partnership (E4 DTP) at the University of Edinburgh. This studentship will be funded by NERC and will be administered by the School of Geosciences, in the University of Edinburgh.

In addition, this is a CASE project in collaboration with Coal Authority and there will be a requirement for you to spend part of each year working with the CASE supervisor.

Listed below are the details of your award:

Field of Study: Investigating geothermal heat resources of legacy mine workings, why are some mine waters hotter than others?

Supervisors: Christopher McDermott, Stuart Gilfillan and Andrew Fraser Harris (School of Geosciences, University of Edinburgh)

Period of Award: 42 months (minimum)
Award Start date: 1 September 2019 (at the earliest)
Award End date: 28 February 2023 (at the earliest)
Maximum submission date: 31 August 2023 (at the earliest)

Value of Award

Tuition fees: UK/EU Tuition fees
Stipend: As per RCUK rate - £15,009 per annum for 2019-20
RTSG (see below): £1,150 per year minimum (3 years)
CASE funding: Additional RTSG of minimum £1,000 per annum (3 years)

This offer of funding is conditional upon you meeting all entrance requirements to gain full admission to the University of Edinburgh.

As part of this offer, you will be required to teach undergraduate classes within the School of GeoSciences (such as in the laboratory, during tutorials and on field courses) for a total of 12 hours per year (for 3 years) without additional payment. If you wish to take on additional teaching, you can do so, up to a total of 60 hours per semester, and payment will be made at prevailing University rates.

The studentship will commence in mid-September 2019 at the earliest, at the start of the University Semester 1, with funding for a minimum of 42 months. An additional 3 or 6 months of funding is potentially available if you opt to undertake a 3-month Professional Internship Programme (PIP) and/or secure a 3-month Professional Development Scholarship (PDS) through publications. An important condition is that PhD theses funded by NERC must be submitted before 4 years (7 years part-time). The NERC personal stipend is £15,009 per year tax free (2019-20 RCUK rate), and all fees to the University are paid, as are agreed fieldwork/laboratory expenses, and a minimum Research Training Support Grant of £1,150 per year (for 3 years) – which can support purchase of analyses, software, computing, travel, conference, and other incidental costs of your work. Intellectual Property from this work will reside jointly with yourself and the University.

The aim of the E4 DTP is to provide excellent preparation for a wide variety of careers and a key component of this preparation is training. E4 DTP students are required to attend 50 days of training in total during the 3 first years (6 first years part-time) of their PhD. This will include generic and transferable skills (core training - 25 days), which are greatly valued by employers, as well as more project specific training, tailored to individuals' needs (advanced training - 25 days). The E4 DTP cohort will take part in residential workshops as part of the core-training programme.

A condition of this award is that you immediately inform the School of GeoSciences and the E4 DTP Director in the event of any withdrawal from your PhD research studies, irrespective of whether this withdrawal is of a permanent or temporary nature. In such an event, the School and E4 DTP reserve the right to suspend or terminate your studentship.

If you fail to make satisfactory progress with your PhD project, the University reserves the right either to transfer you to a lower degree or to discontinue your studies. In either such event, your award, and thus funding, will either be terminated or reduced in duration.

We would appreciate a response to this offer **as soon as possible**, and **no later** than Wednesday 20 March 2019 at 12 noon, which is an agreed deadline of the NERC DTPs (see attached letter from NERC Head office).

I very much hope that you choose to accept our offer and that we can welcome you to our diverse and active research community later this year.

Yours sincerely



Professor Simon Mudd
Director of the E³ DTP
Professor of Earth Surface Processes

Acceptance of Studentship

In signing and returning this form, I confirm that I accept the studentship on the terms and conditions outlined above in the award letter and that I have read and accept [the RCUK Terms and Conditions of Research Council Training Grants](#) (in association with the [RCUK Training Grant Guide](#)) which regulate the NERC-funded DTP studentships.

Name and address (please use block capitals):

Signature:

Date:

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