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ESRC-grant linked PhD studentship

Three-year PhD Studentship (Full-time) commencing January 2012

Title: **Aspirations and emotional and behavioural problems in primary school aged children**

Main supervisor: Prof. Eirini Flouri (Department of Psychology and Human Development)

Co-supervisors: Prof. Heather Joshi and Dr. Alice Sullivan (Centre for Longitudinal Studies)

Project details

We are seeking applicants for a 3-year PhD studentship linked to our ESRC-funded project titled 'Pathways from environmental risk to children's psychological maladjustment and resilience', commencing in January 2012. The broad research aim of the studentship will be to propose an integrated model of antecedents of children's early aspirations for life and career, and to model the pathways through which aspirations may be related to children's emotional and behavioural adjustment. The research will use secondary data from the Millennium Cohort Study (MCS; www.cls.ioe.ac.uk/mcs). As such, this PhD studentship will be an independent self-contained project but at the same time will complement the main research project which will explore the role of children's aspirations in emotional and behavioural outcomes in the face of contextual risk among the MCS children.

We are seeking applicants with a good 2:1 or 1st class undergraduate degree and a Masters in psychology, a social science or other relevant discipline, and good quantitative skills, for which evidence must be given, in the form of at least a good GCSE qualification in maths or of more recent experience. The studentship includes the standard research council stipend and covers tuition fees. Applicants must meet ESRC eligibility criteria.

Further Enquiries:

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Funding Details: Studentships will cover Home/EU tuition fees and pay a stipend (£15,590 for 2012/13) for a period of up to 3 years.

Eligibility: Applicants should hold a minimum of a UK Honours Degree at 2:1 level or equivalent in Psychology, a Social Science or any other relevant subject and a postgraduate research training Master's degree recognised by the ESRC or must demonstrate that the level of training already undertaken is in line with both the generic and subject-specific requirements set out in the ESRC Postgraduate Training Guidelines 2011. Applicants must meet ESRC eligibility criteria, including those relating to residence.

How to apply: You should:

1. Apply for MPhil/PhD at the Institute via UKPASS (details below)
2. Submit to doc.enquiries@ioe.ac.uk an up-to-date curriculum vitae (CV), and a copy of a piece of your own written work. This might be something you have written as coursework, or a publication (e.g., for a peer reviewed journal).

Closing date: 18 November 2011

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