

Two National Institute for Health Research funded PhD studentships available

The National Institute of Health Research (NIHR) Collaboration for Leadership in Applied Health Research and Care (CLAHRC) North Thames and the NIHR School for Public Health Research (SPHR) based at UCL invite applications for two **jointly-funded 3-year PhD studentships at UCL** to begin September 2018. Supervisors are drawn from across both the NIHR CLAHRC North Thames and NIHR SPHR. PhD projects align with the following NIHR CLAHRC North Thames and NIHR SPHR themes:

- Children and Young People
- Public Mental Health
- Inequalities

The benefit of this collaborative initiative include joint funding from two high profile NIHR research collaborations, which facilitates the opportunity for unparalleled access to leading applied and public health experts, supervisors who are leaders in their field, channels for dissemination of research and participation in bespoke training and a strong network and community of graduate students and researchers. From the four topics outlined below, two will be funded through these joint studentships.

PhD Research Topics

1. [Integrated legal advice and health services](#)

Supervised by Prof Rosalind Raine (NIHR CLAHRC North Thames, NIHR SPHR, UCL), Prof Dame Hazel Genn (UCL Centre for Access to Justice) and Dr Charlotte Woodhead (NIHR CLAHRC North Thames, NIHR SPHR, UCL)

2. [Exploring the value of linked health and council data to examine associations between adverse childhood experiences and its consequences using linked population and health datasets](#)

Supervisory panel includes Dr Jessica Sheringham (NIHR CLAHRC North Thames, UCL), Dr Manuel Gomes (UCL) and Dr Sarah Dougan (London Borough of Islington)

3. [Exploring the value of linked health and council data to examine the clustering of multimorbidity and associated unplanned service use](#)

Supervisory panel includes Dr Jessica Sheringham (NIHR CLAHRC North Thames, UCL), Dr Manuel Gomes (UCL) and Dr Sarah Dougan (London Borough of Islington)

4. [Closing the gap in adverse physical health outcomes for people with poor mental health: exploring the role of healthcare provision and care pathways](#)

Supervised by Dr Kate Walters (NIHR SPHR, UCL) and Prof David Osborn (NIHR SPHR, UCL)

Further details of all topics and methodological expertise or experience required can be found here: [PhD Studentships - CLAHRC SPHR Full Description 2018](#)

Eligibility

Candidates should hold a Master's qualification (or complete their Master's by September 2018) in an appropriate discipline and have a minimum of a 2:1 or equivalent in their first degree. Applicants should preferably have knowledge of the UK health and care system. All applicants are required to have excellent written and verbal communication skills. They should also be willing to work collaboratively in multi-disciplinary and multi-professional teams.

Due to funding restrictions applicants must be UK/EU nationals. Please refer to [UK Council for International Student Affairs \(UKCISA\)](#) for details of these criteria.

How to apply

Your application should consist of a CV, contact details of two academic referees, and a personal statement (1,000 words maximum) describing your suitability for the proposed project(s) including how your research experience, skills and interests relate to the NIHR CLAHRC North Thames and NIHR SPHR project(s). In your application, please indicate which project(s) you wish to be considered for.

Please send your application or queries about projects to Dr Silvie Cooper, NIHR CLAHRC

North Thames Academy Teaching Fellow (silvie.cooper@ucl.ac.uk).

Closing date for applications: 17.00, 15 May 2018

Interviews: 25 May 2018

PhD start date: 01 September 2018 (or earlier if desired)

Duration: 3 years, full time

Stipend: £19,158