**Birmingham City University**

**Midlands4Cities: Expression of Interest (EOI)**

**Before completing this form, please ensure you read fully the applicant guidance notes on the** [**Midlands4Cities website**](https://www.midlands4cities.ac.uk/)**.**

The deadline for submission of an expression of interest to BCU is

**17 November 2023**

**Please return to** **M4C@bcu.ac.uk**

Assessment criteria for M4C applications focuses on ‘Person’, ‘Preparedness’ ‘Project’, and ‘Place.’ This EOI is organised around and will be assessed by reference to these criteria.

**Is this application for an Open Doctoral Award a Collaborative Doctoral Award (CDA)?**

(please tick)

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| **Open Competition** |[ ]  **CDA** |[ ]
| **Title of CDA project, if applicable:** |  |

1. **Applicant Details**

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| Forename | Middle name(s) | Surname |
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| Contact phone number: |  |
| E-mail address: |  |
| Home address | Correspondence address |
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| **The general research area for which you will apply to carry out your PhD**  | *Please delete as appropriate*Art and DesignMedia and Cultural StudiesMusic and Performing Arts (Conservatoire)EnglishLaw |
| **Do you plan to apply for a Full-time or Part-time Open Competition award?** | *Please delete as appropriate*Full-timePart-time |
| **Date on which your doctoral study will begin or, if you have already started, the date on which****you began.** |  |
| **Have you previously applied for M4C Funding?** | *Please delete as appropriate*YesNo |
| **Are you a UK or International Applicant?** | *Please delete as appropriate*UKInternational |

1. **Your career in higher education to-date**

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| **Level of Study** | **Undergraduate degree** | **Master's degree** |
| Awarding Institution  |  |  |
| Country (if not UK) |  |  |  |  |
| Mode of attendance (please check the relevant box) | Full-time[ ]  | Part-time[ ]  | Full-time[ ]  | Part-time[ ]  |
| Month and year in which your course started and finished (or will finish) | Start datemm/yyyy | End datemm/yyyy | Start datemm/yyyy | End datemm/yyyy |
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| Qualification Subject |  |  |
| Qualification type(for example, BA, MA) |  |  |
| Class of qualification |  |  |
| Are there any other qualifications that you feel are relevant to your application? Please provide full details (UG/PG, FT/PT, Start date / End date etc.) |
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##### Professional Experience that is *relevant* to your application

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| **Dates (mm/yy)** | **No. of years** | **Full or part-time?** | **Employer/Organisation (including location)** | **Description of relevant experience** |
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1. **Project**

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| **Tell us about your research project (500 words max).** Consider:* The **context** of your project.
* The **research question**(s) it will answer.
* The **method(s)** you will use to investigate your research question(s).
* The **impact(s)** your project will make in terms of an original contribution to knowledge in the field(s), and beyond academia (e.g., in professional and creative practice, industry, etc).
* An **indicative structure/time-line** for your project across the duration of the award you are applying for.
* Citation to appropriate literature.
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1. **Place**

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| **Tell us how you and your project fit to BCU and M4C (300 words)*** Name your proposed supervisors (both BCU and from across the M4C consortium), their home institution and indicate whether you have already approached them.
* Describe how your project relates to the expertise of the named supervisors
* Identify how your project fits particular research centres/groups/clusters
* Identify any relevant professional development opportunities offered by the host institution and M4C.
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