**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**](mailto: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 Design  Media and Cultural Studies  Music and Performing Arts (Conservatoire)  English  Law | | |
| **Do you plan to apply for a Full-time or Part-time Open Competition award?** | | | *Please delete as appropriate*  Full-time  Part-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*  Yes  No | | |
| **Are you a UK or International Applicant?** | | | *Please delete as appropriate*  UK  International | | |

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 date  mm/yyyy | End date  mm/yyyy | Start date  mm/yyyy | End date  mm/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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