

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR PHD STUDY IN POLITICAL SCIENCE

The Department of Political Science invites applications for 4 year fully funded PhD studentships at Trinity College Dublin. Application for financial support is automatically considered as part of the normal admissions process. The Department admits about six students per year, and typically provides financial support in the form of tuition grants, stipends (currently €14,000 per year), teaching and research assistantships, and support for postgraduate conference and research travel.

Our four-year doctoral programme is designed to give students the highest level of training to become scholars at the forefront of the discipline. Most of our Ph.D. graduates have gone on to careers in research and teaching at established universities, while others have gone on to careers in government and business. Recently completed dissertations and job placement of graduates can be found <u>here</u>.

The Department of Political Science at Trinity ranks among the best political science departments across Europe, and globally, according to independent evaluations of its research and teaching. In the 2018 QS rankings, Trinity College's Political Science Department ranked number 16 in Europe, and number 43 in the world for "Politics and International Studies."

In addition, the Department is involved in the Dublin School of Social Sciences, which provides graduate training in collaboration with University College Dublin. The doctoral programme is designed to impart substantive knowledge about politics, and to train students in the techniques, including quantitative methods, necessary to recognize, design and implement cutting-edge research. The writing of a dissertation of original research follows a rigorous training in how to design and conduct research.

We seek outstanding and motivated graduates for entry to our doctoral programme. Applications are particularly welcome from students who wish to conduct research in areas in which the Department has particular research strengths:

- Comparative European politics
- European Union politics and policies, incl. the European Court of Justice
- The politics of international law (incl. international human rights and WTO dispute settlement)
- Irish politics
- African politics
- Political institutions
- Legislative politics
- Electoral systems and political parties
- Political psychology
- Politics of climate change
- International conflict and security
- Political theory.

Applications are also sought for a fully funded PhD student working on a research project on European Court of Justice and/or other aspects of international law or postwar politics particularly in France. The scholarship includes fees and a stipend of €16,000 for four years. For further information please contact project PI Dr William Phelan (<u>phelanw@tcd.ie</u>).

Applications are also sought for a fully funded PhD student working on a research project on conflict forecasting. Applicants with a background in econometrics and machine learning are encouraged to apply. The scholarship includes fees and a stipend of €16,000 for four years. For further information please contact project PI Dr Thomas Chadefaux (thomas.chadefaux@tcd.ie).

Prospective students are encouraged to consult the <u>webpages of members of staff</u> to check if staff research interests match their proposed projects.

General enquiries may be directed to the Ph.D. Director, Gizem Arikan (<u>arikang@tcd.ie</u>). Further details of the Ph.D. programme can be found <u>here</u>.

The deadline for applications to the doctoral programme for entry in September 2019 is 1 March 2019.

All applications must be made via the <u>online applications system</u>. For details concerning the application process, please see our <u>FAQ page</u>.

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