

Widening Participation Fellow 2021: Further Information

The Student Recruitment and Widening Participation Team are currently recruiting **non-final year** PhD students in the areas of **Engineering** and **Psychology** and **intercalating medics** for the positions of Widening Participation Fellows. These positions support the University's widening participation activities with a range of learners from primary pupils through to sixth formers.

Before submitting an application, we strongly recommend that interested persons read about the University's widening participation work. Please visit: <https://www.manchester.ac.uk/discover/social-responsibility/widening-participation/> to find out more and read our latest Widening Participation report.

Hours and Pay:

The period of employment is from October – July (10 months). Most WP Fellows complete between 15 to 50 hours, but this is flexible depending on your workload and availability. Fellows are paid monthly, at an hourly rate, currently of £13.43 per hour.

If you are successfully appointed after interview, we will need confirmation from your PhD supervisor that they are happy for you take on this position.

Role and Responsibilities:

WP Fellows are expected to contribute in various ways to the development and delivery of a wide range of events and resources for young people, their parents, carers and teachers including:

- Subject taster workshops and lectures;
- Academic Study Skills e.g. essay writing, research skills;
- Student Life activities, teaching and learning at university;
- School and college careers events;
- Delivering "Why Study" talks in Schools/Colleges;
- Developing resources and delivering online sessions.

Application:

Applicants will be asked to submit an application form and a two minute video of an elevator pitch about their research for Year 10/11 pupils (ages 14 to 16).

Interested applicants are invited to submit an online application form by **Sunday 24th October 2021**.

In the application form applicants must demonstrate they have the following skills and experience:

- Have excellent communication and presentation skills (particularly when working with a younger audience)
- Have some experience of working with young people between the ages of 11 to 18
- Excellent organisation skills
- Ability to enthuse and engage learners about your subject area
- Ability to problem solve and use your initiative
- Excellent team working skills
- Willing to manage own time and involvement

Links to Application and Supporting Documents

- [Application Form](#)
- [Elevator pitch task outline](#)
- [Using Zoom to Record Presentations UoM](#)

Posts available 2021/22 academic year:

Roles are available in the following subject areas:

- Engineering
- Medicine
- Psychology

WP Fellows are managed by the Academic Enrichment Officers for their Faculty (listed below):

- Faculty of Science and Engineering (elk@manchester.ac.uk)
- Faculty of Biology, Medicine and Health (sophie.flieshman@manchester.ac.uk)