

## Midlands 4 Cities Phd Scholarships Contemporary Chinese Art and Visual Culture

Birmingham City University

Application deadline: Nov 30, 2020

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AHRC Midlands4Cities PhD Funding for UK and International Applicants

The AHRC-funded Midlands4Cities Doctoral Training Partnership (M4C) brings together eight leading universities across the Midlands to support the professional and personal development of the next generation of arts and humanities doctoral researchers. M4C is a collaboration between Birmingham City University, the University of Birmingham, University of Warwick, Coventry University, University of Leicester, De Montfort University, Nottingham Trent University and The University of Nottingham.

M4C is awarding up to 89 doctoral studentships for UK and international applicants for 2021 entry through an open competition and 21 Collaborative Doctoral Awards (CDA) through a linked competition with a range of partner organisations in the cultural, creative and heritage sector.

The fields of Chinese Contemporary Art and Visual Culture are strongly represented across the consortium. The Centre for Chinese Visual Arts at Birmingham City University in partnership with the University of Nottingham and De Montfort University is inviting applications from students whose research interests connect with our fields of expertise in:

- Chinese contemporary art
- Curatorial studies and transcultural practices
- Visual culture in contemporary China
- Cultural politics and aesthetics in China
- Cross-cultural exchange between China and the West
- Globalisation and contemporary art
- Nation branding
- Media representations of the Belt and Road Initiative
- Queer arts in China and the Chinese Diaspora
- Chinese contemporary theatre, performance art, film and media
- Gender, sexuality, cultural identity in China
- State and cultural production
- Arts of the Chinese Cultural Revolution

Potential supervisors include Professor Jiang Jiehong (Birmingham City University), Dr. Nuria Querol (Birmingham City University), Professor Jonathan Harris (Birmingham City University), Dr. Jenifer Chao (De Montfort University), Dr. Hongwei Bao (University of Nottingham) and Dr. Lauren Walden (Birmingham City University). Applicants are strongly encouraged to consult supervisors

research profiles online to identify common research interests.

We invite initial 500-word expressions of interests by the 30th November 2020 which should be sent to [m4c@bcu.ac.uk](mailto:m4c@bcu.ac.uk) and copy [ccva@bcu.ac.uk](mailto:ccva@bcu.ac.uk). The relevant form can be downloaded here: <https://www.bcu.ac.uk/research/midlands4cities>

The deadline for M4C funding applications is 13 January 2021 (noon), by which time applicants must have applied for a place to study and have ensured that two academic references are submitted using the Midlands4Cities online reference form.

For full details of eligibility, funding, research supervision areas and CDA projects, and for dates of our November application writing workshops, please visit: <https://www.midlands4cities.ac.uk/> or contact [enquiries@midlands4cities.ac.uk](mailto:enquiries@midlands4cities.ac.uk)

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