



UCL Phase 2 COVID extensions for UKRI students

Privacy and Confidentiality

Privacy notice

UCL are committed to protecting and respecting your privacy.

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UCL is required to report your data to UKRI including your name and, for those awarded an extension, the duration and cost of the extension. Please review [UKRI's privacy policy](#).

1. I am completing this application on behalf of: * *Required*

- Myself
- A student who I am supporting

2. You (the student) should receive support in preparing your application from a member of staff. This would usually be a member of your supervisory team, but does not have to be. We may also need to contact this person for clarification of your application. **Please provide the name of the staff member supporting you** (this may be your name if you are completing the form on behalf of a student). * *Required*

2.a. Please provide the email address of the person named above. * *Required*

Please enter a valid email address.

3. Your application, although confidential, will be reviewed by a panel of UCL academics and staff from the Student Support and Wellbeing and the UCL Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion teams. **If your application contains sensitive personal information which you would prefer not to be shared with or reviewed by certain individuals please**

provide their names below. These staff will not be informed that they have been named, and will not know that your application has been hidden from them. Providing names here will have no bearing on the outcome of your application. *Optional*

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About you

Please enter your first name, surname, and student number as they appear in Portico

4. First Name * Required

5. Surname * Required

6. Student number * Required

Please enter a whole number (integer).

7. UCL email address * Required

Please enter a valid email address.

8. Do any of these circumstances apply to you? Please tick all that apply. These factors have no bearing on eligibility for an extension, but will help us to identify those who may have additional support needs. If you want to provide any context or additional information about these, please include this in the "Your case for a funded extension" section. * Required

- Disability
- Long-term illness
- Neurodivergent
- Caring responsibilities
- None of the above

Prefer not to say

About your studentship

Please provide as much information as you can about your studentship funding

9. Which UKRI council are you funded by? * Required

- AHRC
- BBSRC
- EPSRC
- ESRC
- MRC
- NERC
- STFC
- UKRI AI
- I don't know

10. Which program are you part of? * Required

- Advanced Characterisation of Materials
- Advanced Therapeutics and Nanomedicines
- AI Enabled Healthcare Systems
- Biodesign Engineering
- Bioprocess Engineering Leadership
- Bloomsbury Consortium
- CEELBAS
- Connected Electronic and Photonic Systems
- Cybersecurity
- Data Intensive Science
- Delivering Quantum Technologies
- Energy Demand (LoLo)
- Energy Resilience and the Built Environment
- EPSRC Doctoral Training Partnership
- ESRC Doctoral Training Centre
- Financial Computing and Analytics
- Foundational AI
- i4health
- Innovative Manufacturing in Emergent Macromolecular Therapies

- Integrated Photonic and Electronic Systems
- LAHP
- LIDo
- LISS-DTP
- London School of Geometry and Number Theory
- Medical Imaging
- Molecular Modelling and Materials Science (M3S)
- MRC Clinical Research Training Fellow
- NERC Doctoral Training Partnership
- Science and Engineering in Arts Heritage & Archaeology (SEAHA)
- Soc-B Centre for Doctoral Training in Biosocial Research
- Transformative Pharmaceutical Technologies
- UCL-Birkbeck MRC Doctoral Training Partnership
- UCL, Bloomsbury & East London (UBEL) Doctoral Training Partnership
- Urban Sustainability and Resilience
- UKRI funded but not part of any program listed above (e.g. I-CASE student)
- I don't know

11. When did your studentship begin? If you were awarded a studentship part-way through your doctoral studies, please give the date your funding began. * *Required*

Dates need to be in the format 'DD/MM/YYYY', for example 27/03/1980.



(dd/mm/yyyy)

12. What is your mode of study? * *Required*

- Full-time
- Part-time

13. What is your current funding end date? This is often not the same as the programme end date in Portico. Ask your administrator to check your Je-S record for you. * *Required*

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(dd/mm/yyyy)

14. Has your funding end date changed? For example due to an interruption or a previous extension * *Required*

- No
- Yes

About your prior interruption/extension

Note: Questions 15 and 15a will only appear if you answer “Yes” to Question 14

15. What was the reason(s) for your prior interruption(s) / extension(s) *

Required

- Health (mental/physical) interruption
- Parental leave
- Internship
- Extension for COVID impact
- Other

15.a. If you selected Other, please specify:

About your stipend

The standard stipend for 2020/21 is £17,285 for full time students, pro-rata'd for part time students (eg a 50% part time student will receive £8,642.50).

If your annual stipend for 2020/21 is higher, then you are receiving an enhanced stipend.

If you receive a staff salary from a UKRI grant instead of a stipend (eg for MRC CRTFs), please select the option "salary".

16. What type of stipend/living costs do you receive? * Required

- None - fees only studentship
- Standard stipend - see note above on what this is
- Enhanced stipend - see note above on what this is
- Salary via UKRI grant
- I don't know

Your case for a funded extension

The focus of the support is on those students who are least able to adapt their projects sufficiently to complete in their existing funding period. It is not to support time lost during the pandemic. For further information, please see [UKRI's FAQs](#).

This section asks you to provide information on the impacts you have experienced, the mitigation steps you have undertaken, and your justification for additional time required. We strongly suggest you prepare your responses with support from your supervisory team or other member of staff.

17. Which factors have contributed to the impact of covid on your doctoral study? Please provide a brief explanation for each factor which applies to you.

	Brief explanation
Lack of access to research resources and facilities	
Interruption of data collection and/or fieldwork	
Increased caring responsibilities	
Health and wellbeing affected	
Other – specify	


18. How did you attempt to adapt your project to minimise/mitigate the impact of covid on your doctoral studies? Please provide a brief explanation for each type of change that applies to you.

	Brief explanation
Amend the timetabling/sequence/scope of your research project	

Additional analyses of existing data sets instead of collecting new data	
Change to computational approach instead of collecting new data	
Change in source and/or scope of new data collection or archival material	
Moving research online (eg surveys, participant interviews, etc)	
Change in source and/or scope of external (ie non-UCL) facility usage	
Amendment to fieldwork plan	
Other- please specify	
Not possible to mitigate in any way (if you choose this option, you will need to explain what you attempted or considered in order to decide it was not possible)	

19. Considering the impacts you have experienced and the mitigation steps you have undertaken, **when do you expect to submit your thesis for examination?** You will not be held to this date. This will be used to help determine the priority need and length of extension. Don't worry about providing an exact day within a month; use the last day of the month if you are unsure. * *Required*

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(dd/mm/yyyy)

20. Considering the mitigation steps you have undertaken, please **justify why you require an extension to be able to complete your doctoral study.**

Maximum 3000 characters (approx 250 words). * *Required*

Your answer should be no more than 3000 characters long.

21. Is there anything else you would like the review panel to know?

Declarations

22. I understand that submitting a request for an extension does not guarantee that I will be granted an extension *
Required

Yes

23. I confirm that I have discussed the contents of my application with the staff member I named in this form *
Required

Yes

24. I confirm that the information given is accurate to the best of my knowledge * *Required*

Yes

Equal opportunity monitoring

UCL are committed to equality of opportunity in our studentship extension award process. By completing this form, you will help us to ensure that our policies and procedures are effective in avoiding discrimination and promoting equal opportunities in making those awards.

The information you supply in this section will be kept confidential. The data will not be sent to reviewing panel members, and the answers you give will have no bearing on the outcome of your application.

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25. What gender do you identify as? * *Required*

- Female
- Male
- Non-binary
- Other
- Prefer not to say

26. How old are you? * *Required*

- 24 or under
- 25 to 29
- 30 to 34
- 35 to 39
- 40 to 44
- 45 to 49
- 50 to 54
- 55 to 59
- 60 or over
- Prefer not to say

27. What is your ethnicity or ethnic group? Ethnicity is about the group to which you perceive yourself to belong * *Required*

- Asian - Bangladeshi or Bangladeshi British
- Asian - Chinese or Chinese British

- Asian - Indian or Indian British
- Asian - Pakistani or Pakistani British
- Asian - Other Asian background
- Black - African or African British
- Black - Black or Black British
- Black - Caribbean or Caribbean British
- Black - Other Black background
- Mixed - Mixed or multiple ethnic background
- White - English, Scottish, Welsh, Northern Irish or British
- White - Irish
- White - Gypsy or Traveller
- White - Polish
- White - Other White background
- Other
- Prefer not to say

28. Do you have an impairment, health condition or learning difference that has a substantial or long term impact on your ability to carry out day to day activities? (Tick all that apply) * Required

- A long standing illness or health condition such as cancer, HIV, diabetes, chronic heart disease, or epilepsy
- A mental health difficulty, such as depression, schizophrenia or anxiety disorder
- A physical impairment or mobility issues, such as difficulty using your arms or using a wheelchair or crutches
- A social/communication impairment such as a speech and language impairment or Asperger's syndrome/other autistic spectrum disorder
- A specific learning difficulty such as dyslexia, dyspraxia or AD(H)D
- Blind or have a visual impairment uncorrected by glasses
- D/deaf or have a hearing impairment
- An impairment, health condition or learning difference that is not listed above (please specify)
- No known impairment, health condition or learning difference
- Prefer not to say

28.a. Please specify:

29. What is your sexual orientation? * Required

- Asexual
- Bi/bisexual
- Gay/lesbian
- Heterosexual/straight
- Queer
- Other
- Prefer not to say

Final page

Thank you for your submission.

We expect the majority of students to be notified by 31 March. However, if your current funding end date falls in April, we will endeavour to fast track your application and give you some indication of outcome more quickly.

If you have any queries or concerns you can email ukri.phd-students@ucl.ac.uk. However, please do not email requesting updates on your application progress.
