

**De Montfort University
Graduate School Full Bursary PhD Scholarship**

Securitisation in urban policy making

**Centre for Urban Research on Austerity
School of Business and Law
De Montfort University, Leicester**

COMMENCING OCTOBER 2016

A PhD research scholarship including stipend and tuition fee costs is offered within the Centre for Urban Research on Austerity (CURA)/Department of Politics and Public Policy in the School of Business and Law. It is available to UK or EU students who are suitably qualified and have outstanding potential as a researcher.

In offering this scholarship the University aims to further develop its proven research strengths in urban governance, austerity and crises. It is an excellent opportunity for a candidate of exceptional promise to contribute to a stimulating, world-class research environment.

The post holder will be contributing to CURA's interest in crisis and securitisation in urban policy-making. Interested candidates need to submit a 1500-word proposal addressing one or more of the following issues:

- Are subnational levels of government impacted by national security policy and what are the implications for urban governance?
- How do different 'modes of governance' incorporate coercive strategies in urban policy-making process?
- What power relations are developed between state and non-state actors in the securitisation of urban public policy?
- To what extent do community cultural practices infuse meaning to government practices in contexts of violence and insecurity?

Proposals with a focus on countries in Europe and/or the Americas will be preferred, but proposals conducting research in other world regions will be considered.

For a more detailed description of the scholarship, the subject area at DMU and an application pack please visit <http://www.dmu.ac.uk/research/graduate-school/phd-scholarships.aspx>. Please direct academic queries to Dr Valeria Guarneros-Meza on +44 (0)116 2577038 or email valeria.guarneros@dmu.ac.uk. For administrative queries contact Morgan Erdlenbruch at Morgan.Erdlenbruch@dmu.ac.uk. Completed applications should be returned together with two supporting references and an academic transcript.

Applications are invited from UK or EU students with a Master's degree or good first degree (First, 2:1 or equivalent) in a relevant subject. Doctoral scholarships are available for up to three years full-time study starting October 2016 and provide a bursary of ca. £14,296 pa in addition to University tuition fees.

Please quote ref: DMU Research Scholarships 2016: BAL FB1.

CLOSING DATE: Tuesday 29th March 2016. Interviews for shortlisted candidates will be held by Friday 29th April.