

# **De Montfort University**

## **Graduate School Full Bursary PhD Scholarship**

**Trade unions and migrant workers: experimentalism in the building of new solidarities in the shadow of Brexit.**

**Comparative Employment Research Centre  
Department of HRM, Faculty of Business and Law  
De Montfort University, Leicester**

**COMMENCING OCTOBER 2017**

A PhD research scholarship including stipend and tuition fee costs is offered within the Comparative Employment Research Centre (CERC). 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 international and comparative employment relations. It is an excellent opportunity for a candidate of exceptional promise to contribute to a stimulating, world-class research environment.

The project would examine trade unions' role in representing migrant workers and facing the challenges of worker solidarity in the context of Brexit. It would analyse how social actors attempt to 'experiment' - building new institutions, or reconfiguring existing ones, in response to these challenges. We are particularly interested in projects which explore how social actors use existing identities in these processes, and with how social learning develops within and between actors seeking to experiment. We would particularly welcome applications from a comparative perspective, featuring the UK alongside one or more other European Union or advanced industrialised countries. We strongly favour researchers seeking to employ in-depth, contextualised case study research.

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. Heather Connolly on +44 (0)116 257 7234 or email [hconnolly@dmu.ac.uk](mailto:hconnolly@dmu.ac.uk). For administrative queries contact the Graduate School office email: [researchstudents@dmu.ac.uk](mailto:researchstudents@dmu.ac.uk), tel : 0116 250-6309. 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 in a relevant subject (First, 2:1 or equivalent). Doctoral scholarships are available for up to three years full-time study commencing in October 2017 consisting of a bursary of £14,296 per annum in addition to waiver of tuition fees.

Please quote ref: BALFB1

**CLOSING DATE: Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2017. Interviews for shortlisted candidates will be held by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April approximately.**