

Research



As part of your application, you will be required to submit a range of documents. Below we have outlined five of the key documents:

Research proposal

Please see our web pages for further guidance on how to write a research proposal.

Certificates and transcripts

We require scanned copies of your most relevant academic certificates and transcripts. Documents that are not in English must be provided with a certified English translation.

Two academic references

References must be dated within the last two years. Should your intended route be a DBA or PhD by Extended Professional Practice, one of your references can come from industry/practice. References must be provided in one of the following formats. The below guidance can be forwarded on to your referees:

- Complete our Reference Form and send to pgradmissions@dmu.ac.uk from a valid institutional email address, or;
- Complete our Reference Form and return back to you for uploading onto the admissions portal alongside your application, or;
- Complete our Reference Form and send it by post to the Doctoral College with an original signature (address found at the bottom of this page), or;
- Submit a reference on headed paper from the referee's institution / organisation, signed and dated by the referee.

We welcome references in other accessible formats such as audio files, braille and captured videos.

The reference report form must contain full contact details of the referee.

Unfortunately, the Doctoral College are not able to contact referees on behalf of applicants.

Passport

We require a clear copy of the photo page of your passport that details your passport number and nationality.

The Doctoral College will not be able to process your application without all of the above documentation.



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English language proof

Applicants who are required to evidence their English language will need to produce either:

- A IELTS (Academic) certificate at 6.5 or equivalent, with no component below 6.0 and shall have been taken not more than two years prior to entry, or;
- Copy of a Degree certificate from a majority English speaking country, dated within the last 5 years. (Further information on country exemptions), or;
- WAEC/WASSCE at grade C/6 or above, or;
- NECO grade C/6 or above.

Please note that we no longer accept TOEFL or TOEIC as proof of English language proficiency. We do provide an English examination for research degree applicants which can be used in place of an IELTS (Academic) certificate. More information about the De Montfort University English language test can be obtained from the Doctoral College at: PGRadmissions@dmu.ac.uk

All applicants must have first met the academic entry requirements for a research degree at DMU before they can be booked onto the De Montfort University English language test. Tests can only be booked via the Doctoral College at PGRadmissions@dmu.ac.uk

Our Admissions team

Please contact our dedicated Doctoral College Admissions team if you have any queries around how to apply for a Research Degree:

Email address: pgradmissions@dmu.ac.uk

Visit us in person: Room 0.02, Portland Building, Leicester, LE1 9BH

