Northern Bridge Consortium Collaborative Doctoral Awards Competition (Staff-led)





## CANDIDATE SPECIFICATION

Successful projects will be advertised on the Northern Bridge Consortium website to aid recruitment: <a href="http://www.northernbridge.ac.uk/applyforastudentship/cda/">http://www.northernbridge.ac.uk/applyforastudentship/cda/</a>

Please therefore complete the following Candidate Specification so that advertising can begin as soon as possible following the outcome of the competition:

For further information about this Collaborative Doctoral Award and to submit an Expression of Interest, please contact:				
Lead Supervisor (or Alternative Contact):	Prof Katy Jenkins			
Email:	Katy.jenkins@northumbria.ac.uk			
Expressions of Interest must be received no later than:		31/01/25		
Expressions of Interest must take the following format:				

- 1. Contact the lead supervisor (katy.jenkins@northumbria.ac.uk) with an expression of interest, requesting advice on how to complete the application form.
- 2. Complete Northumbria University's online postgraduate application form by the deadline of 31/1/25 https://www.northumbria.ac.uk/research/postgraduate-research-degrees/how-to-apply/
- 3. On the application form under 'Studentship / Partnership Reference' and 'Who is your sponsor / funding body?' please include the relevant code NBC25/Jenkins
- 4. Please include the following as part of your application:
  - Cover letter
  - 2-page CV
  - Project outline how will you take the project forward and what will your approach be to the collaborative element of the project?

We particularly welcome applications from candidates with relevant lived experience and/or from minoritised groups that have typically been under-represented within academia.

Interviews for shortlisted candidates are expected to take place:

Week commencing 17<sup>th</sup> February 2025

## **CANDIDATE CRITERIA**

Candidates must also meet the criteria for acceptance on a doctoral programme as set out by the host institution's Postgraduate Admissions Service. The successful candidate will be required to submit a postgraduate application to their host institution following notification that they are to be awarded a conditional CDA studentship, and meet the conditions of the offer of a place on the doctoral programme.

Education and Professional Qualifications	Essential Criteria	Undergraduate degree in relevant discipline (2.1 OR 1st). Masters degree in a relevant discipline OR other relevant professional experience.
	Desirable Criteria	
Research and Impact Experience and Training	Essential Criteria	Experience of conducting independent research.  Understanding of qualitative research methods.  Experience of working with women's organisations, trade unions and/or supply chains and workers in the global South.  Show innovation, creativity and independence.
	Desirable Criteria	Experience of writing to publishable standard.  Familiarity with research on just transitions, gender and climate, ethical trade.  Experience of shaping public facing outputs.
Professional Practice and Job-related Experience	Essential Criteria	
	Desirable Criteria	Experience of ethical trade initiatives, global supply chains, and/or the trade union movement.  Experience of working in the development sector.
Interpersonal Skills	Essential Criteria	Effective communication, organisational skills, ability to work on own initiative.  Demonstrates commitment to, and interest in, working collaboratively with partners
	Desirable Criteria	Demonstrates commitment to and enthusiasm for the project
Other Factors	Essential Criteria	
	Desirable Criteria	