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Applicants for an AHRC scholarship must have applied first for a place of study in the School of Philosophy, Religion and History of Science. Correspondence regarding the suitability of candidates and application procedures should be directed in the first instance to the TRS Postgraduate Research Tutor, Dr Adriaan van Klinken ([A.vanKlinken@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:A.vanKlinken@leeds.ac.uk)), and/or [prhs\\_pgenquiries@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:prhs_pgenquiries@leeds.ac.uk).

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### NOTES ON APPLICATION PROCESS:

- 1) Application form. This should be completed online at: [http://www.leeds.ac.uk/info/130206/applying/91/applying\\_for\\_research\\_degrees](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/info/130206/applying/91/applying_for_research_degrees) There's other useful information and links too on this page.
- 2) Research proposal. Applicants for research degrees must include a research proposal. Normally, a research proposal will be 500 words in length and include a short bibliography. It should outline what the motivation for your proposed research is and how you intend to go about pursuing it, with reference to what you take to be the research context and your proposed contribution, your specific research questions, and the relevant methods to be employed.
- 3) Three academic references. Your referees should complete the University's Referees Report Form (available from our PG Office [prhs\\_pgenquiries@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:prhs_pgenquiries@leeds.ac.uk)) and submit their references directly to this office. All references must be confidential. Applicants are required to contact their referees themselves and are responsible for ensuring we receive all necessary references.
- 4) Degree certificates and transcripts of any qualifications already gained (and/or a transcript of any marks received to date for your current degree). These can be copies for now, but original documents will need to be provided if your application is successful.

5) Writing sample. This should constitute a subject related essay on a question of your choice which should be at least 3-4,000 words in length. Most applicants provide a previously submitted piece of coursework, although you are welcome to write something new or further refine an existing piece of your prefer.

If your first language is not English we require you to demonstrate competence in English through either the TOEFL or IELTS examination. The School of PRHS requires applicants to have obtained the University's minimum English Language scores prior to commencing a degree programme.

Supporting documents can be uploaded with your online application form or sent by email to [prhs\\_pgenquiries@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:prhs_pgenquiries@leeds.ac.uk)