

PGR Funding Extensions due to Covid

Doctoral studies have been impacted as a result of Covid and, for some students, this has caused delays in completing their thesis.

The University has introduced an application process in line with UKRI guidance for students to follow. More information can be found [here](#). At the bottom of this link you will find additional guidance material and the application form.

The application window for Phase 2 is now closed as from June 16th 2021. Phase 3 will run from 1st August 2021 until 31st July 2023 and the University will review applications from students who are not funded through UKRI. Those who are UKRI funded must apply for extensions from the CDT and DTP who provided their initial funding. There is more information about Phase 3 [here](#).

What the Advice Centre can do

The Advice Centre can:

1. Arrange an initial appointment to discuss your situation;
2. Give feedback on any statements and supporting evidence;
3. Ensure policies and procedures are followed;
4. Support a student in any meetings attended as part of the process, subject to adviser availability.

This help can be given whatever the source of funding and can continue if your application has been rejected and you wish to seek support on appealing the decision or making a complaint.

The Advice Centre contact details are advice@susu.org or telephone 023 80592085. To enable a student to gain the most from an adviser appointment it is helpful to have a Covid impact log and/or any other supporting documents prepared.

As there is a limited amount of funding and decisions are made by a panel on a case by case basis, we can neither predict nor guarantee a desired outcome. We do not have access to information beyond what has been given on the University's website.

This process and the associated uncertainty can be stressful. There is 24/7 wellbeing support available from [Student Life](#).