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**SPS PhD Scholarship 2025/26**

Supervisor Statement Template

The supervisory teams of all SPS PhD Scholarship applicants are required to submit a **Supervisor Statement Template**. This statement is key component of the application and of the assessment process.

In particular, we are looking for clarification on how the proposed supervisory team will provide the student with an outstanding PhD experience that engages with appropriate advanced development opportunities. In addition, we are keen to find out about supervisors’ own development needs so that the College of Social Sciences can consider its approach to supporting supervisors.

Once you have completed your **Supervisor Statement of Support**, please return it to your prospective student (in PDF format) who will upload it as per the deadline (31 March 2025) established for the SPS PhD Scholarships. Please not that late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

**Applicant Details**

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| **Applicant’s Name:** |   |

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| **Please select the** [**School**](https://www.gla.ac.uk/schools/) **the applicant is applying to:**  |
| ​​​ Choose an item. |

**Questions for the Supervisory Team**

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| Please set out the proposed **supervisory team** and their relevance to the student project as well as contingency plans. Where the supervisory team is cross-college, the added benefits to the student and their research should be detailed. **(word limit: 500 words max)** |
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| Set out the **research environment** for the student at the host School with specific reference to the fit between the school/research group and the proposed topic of research. **(word limit: 500 words max)** |
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| Explain how the supervisory team and the broader research environment supports the development of an **inclusive and diverse PhD community**. **(word limit: 350 max)** |
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| Please summarise your initial assessment of your student’s **development needs** and how you will plan to meet these (drawing on potential inputs from the host School as well as those provided by CoSS and broader networks). Development needs refer to skills/knowledge etc that will support completion of the PhD programme as well as supporting broader career trajectories. These might include methods, disciplinary knowledge, or broader career skills/exposure like working with policy makers. **(word limit: 500 words max)** |
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| Please summarise the development needs of the supervisory team (new and experienced supervisors). Development needs might include supervision specific knowledge/skills, methodological or theoretical advances that will help with supervising this specific proposal or network development and other impact skills. **(word limit: 350 words max)** |
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| Details of the supervisory team’s **experience of supervision**. This should include the number of students supervised by each supervisor (including ongoing supervision) and their completion rates where applicable, i.e., we would like to know the proportion of students who have completed within four years (or equivalent for part-time students). In addition, CoSS expects that all funded PhD candidates should be able to complete their PhD within the funded period, we would like to hear how the supervisory team will support the student’s completion on time. **(word limit: 500 words max)** |
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| Please confirm that the proposal is the **applicant’s own work** (even if you have provided advice on the content) and that you have not previously submitted a similar proposal via a supervisor led competition. |
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| If the applicant is already undertaking a PhD and is in their first year (or part-time equivalent) then please provide a paragraph on the **current and estimated progress of the applicant within their PhD.** |
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**Supervisory Team Details**

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| **Please confirm:** [ ]  All Supervisors have completed [**supervisory training**](https://www.gla.ac.uk/myglasgow/ris/researcherdevelopment/supervisors/mandatorysupervisortraining/) within the University of Glasgow within the last 5 years. |

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| **First Supervisor Details:** **Full Name and Title,****School, and** **UofG Email**  |   |
| **Second Supervisor Details:****Full Name and Title,****Institution/College/School, and** **Institution Email**  |  |
| **Third Supervisor Details (if applicable):****Full Name and Title,****Institution/College/School, and** **Institution Email**  |  |

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| **First Supervisor Signature** |   |
| **Second Supervisor Signature** |  |
| **Third Supervisor Signature (if applicable)** |  |