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HealthTech

INDUSTRIAL
DOCTORATE
PROGRAMME

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The University of Strathclyde's HealthTech Cluster together with the Department of Biomedical Engineering, the Department of Computing and Information Studies and other departments across all University Faculties have created an Industrial Doctorate programme. This offers an opportunity for people currently employed in a research-oriented role to undertake an industrially-focused three year equivalent research project where they are jointly supervised by a member of staff from their current employer and from the University.

Researchers will remain fully employed within the company and are registered with Strathclyde as an MPhil or PhD researcher with academic and industrial co-supervision. This distinct scheme provides companies with the opportunity to train staff to an elevated level, and benefit from direct academic project input, all whilst progressing research projects which may be at advanced commercial stages.

As researchers remain as company employees, the only funds payable are the tuition fees. As part of endeavours to catalyse and grow activities with emerging external partners, the University will consider under its PhD@Work scheme the provision of funds as contributions towards fee payments for the initial years of new studentships, especially where there is the potential for growth of future projects with the external collaborator. Normally, this would be at the level of 25% to 50% of the (Home) fee payable for any new studentship for the first two years of the programme.

Fees for entry in 2022/23 - £5,346 (for UK home students, salary to be paid by company)

Please note that EU and international students will be subject to international course fees, please contact carol.b.mcinnnes@strath.ac.uk for further information.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

The research will focus on industrial issues relevant to the employing company. Students will continue in their current employment during the entire programme, while being registered as a Postgraduate student at the University of Strathclyde. Students will be jointly supervised by experts from the company and the University of Strathclyde. Students can commence their research on a one-year full-time or two-year part-time MPhil programme and can then progress to a PhD.

Normally, projects are carried out within the company premises and, where appropriate, students might attend the University to carry out some aspects of the research. In certain circumstances, the Industrial Doctorate can be taken part-time over a longer period of time to allow students to blend the research with the business needs of the partner company. The Industrial Doctorate Programme is subject to the full requirements of a conventional PhD in terms of regulations, academic rigour, supervision and examination, administration and fees.

BENEFITS TO CANDIDATES

One of the main advantages of this programme is that your research will be conducted in the workplace. This means you'll not have to give up your existing job to further your education to Postgraduate level; a restriction for many potential students.

BENEFITS TO INDUSTRY

The employing company will be able to access the valuable knowledge gained by the employee during their studies. They will also engage with world leading researchers/innovators at Strathclyde who work within the engineering areas of interest to them. Building productive working relationships the programme will create growth in the business community through the cooperation on research and innovation between the University and the partnering company. In addition, it will allow knowledge transfer and networking between partnering companies and researchers within the Engineering Faculty at Strathclyde, and wider afield as they engage with our extensive networks.

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