

| <b><u>Information on Postgraduate Research Scholarship - Ref: VCS-FLAS-01-22</u></b>  |  |                    |                             |
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| <b>Faculty:</b>   | FLAS   | <b>Department:</b> | School of Law & Criminology |
| <b>Lead Supervisor:</b>   | Dr Madeline Petrillo   |                    |                             |
| <b>Project Title:</b>   | Trauma-informed perspectives on women's experiences of the parole processes  |                    |                             |
| <b>Project Description:</b>   | <p>Women in the justice system have often experienced lifestyles characterised by multiple disadvantages including substance misuse, mental illness, homelessness, economic deprivation and offending behaviour that are frequently the product of histories of abuse and trauma. In recognition, the Ministry of Justice has stated its commitment to ensuring its work with women is underpinned by principles of trauma-informed practice. Applying for parole can be a highly stressful and destabilising time for women in prison. It is a time when women are required to account for and face judgement on experiences that have resulted in their imprisonment. It is also a time of uncertainty, both about the process itself and what awaits them outside the prison gate. The disproportionate number of women recalled to prison following release on post-custody supervision suggests an urgent need to better understand women's experiences of the parole process.</p> <p>The PhD is a gendered analysis of women's experiences of the parole process from a trauma-informed perspective. It will combine document analysis, observations, and in-depth interviews to build an understanding of women's experiences and develop recommendations for future policy and practice.</p> |                    |                             |
| <b>Duration:</b>  | 3 years, Full-Time Study or<br>6 years, Part-Time Study  |                    |                             |
| <b>Bursary available (subject to satisfactory performance):</b>   |  |                    |                             |
| Year 1: £16,062 (FT) or pro-rata (PT) Year 2: In line with UKRI rate Year 3: In line with UKRI rate   |  |                    |                             |
| In addition, the successful candidate will receive a contribution to tuition fees equivalent to the university's Home rate, currently £4,596 (FT) or pro-rata (PT), for the duration of their scholarship. International applicants will need to pay the remainder tuition fee for the duration of their scholarship. |  |                    |                             |
| This fee is subject to an annual increase.  |  |                    |                             |
| <b>Person Specification of Essential (E) or Desirable (D) requirements:</b>   |  |                    |                             |
| <b>Criteria:</b>  | <b>E or D</b>  |                    |                             |
| <b>Education and Training:</b>  |  |                    |                             |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1<sup>st</sup> Class or 2<sup>nd</sup> class, First Division (Upper Second Class) honours degree or a taught master's degree with a minimum average of 60% in all areas of assessment (UK or UK equivalent) in a relevant area to the proposed research project</li> </ul>     | <b>E</b>   |                    |                             |

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For those whose first language is not English and/or if from a country where English is not the majority spoken language (as recognised by the UKBA), a language proficiency score of at least IELTS 6.5 (in all elements of the test) or an equivalent UK VISA and Immigration secure English Language Test is required, if your programme falls within the faculty of Engineering and Science a language proficiency score of at least IELTS 6.5 overall with a minimum of 6.0 in all elements of the test or an equivalent UK VISA and Immigration secure English Language Test is required. Unless the degree above was taught in English <b>and</b> obtained in a majority English speaking country, e.g. UK, USA, Australia, New Zealand, etc, as recognised by the UKBA.</li> </ul>   | E   |
| <b>Experience &amp; Skills:</b>   |   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Previous experience of undertaking research (e.g. undergraduate or taught master's dissertation)</li> </ul>  | E   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strong background in conducting qualitative research</li> </ul>  | D   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Experience of carrying out research with people who experience marginalisation</li> </ul>  | D   |
| <b>Personal Attributes:</b>   |   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understands the fundamental differences between a taught degree and a research degree in terms of approach and personal discipline/motivation</li> </ul>   | E   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Able to, under guidance, complete independent work successfully</li> </ul>   | E   |
| <b>Other Requirements:</b>  |   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>This scholarship may require Academic Technology Approval Scheme approval for the successful candidate if from outside of the EU/EEA</li> </ul>  | E   |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The scholarship will commence in January 2023</li> </ul>   | E   |
| <b>Closing date for applications:</b>   | <b>16 September 2022</b>                          |
| <b>For further information contact:</b>   | <b>Madeline Petrillo (M.R.Petrillo@gre.ac.uk)</b> |
| <p><b>Making an application:</b><br/>Please read this information before making an application. Information on the application process is available at: <a href="https://www.gre.ac.uk/research/study/apply/application-process">https://www.gre.ac.uk/research/study/apply/application-process</a>. Applications need to be made online via this link. <b>No other form of application will be considered.</b></p> <p>All applications <b>must include</b> the following information. <b>Applications not containing these documents will not be considered.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Scholarship Reference Number (VCS-FLAS-01-22)</b>– included in the personal statement section together with your personal statement as to why you are applying</li> <li><b>a research proposal related to the stated research topic</b> * <a href="#">Applying for a PhD   What is a Research Proposal - YouTube</a></li> <li><b>a CV including 2 referees</b> *</li> <li><b>academic qualification certificates/transcripts and IELTS/English Language certificate if you are an international applicant or if English is not your first language or you are from a country where English is not the majority spoken language as defined by the UK Border Agency</b> *</li> </ul> <p><i>*upload to the qualification section of the application form. Attachments must be a PDF format.</i></p> <p>Before submitting your application, you are encouraged to liaise with the Lead Supervisor on the details above.</p> |   |

