

In2research Placement Programme

We are seeking placement hosts to support In2research participants over the summer of 2022.

What is In2research?

In2research is a new programme developed by In2scienceUK that aims to help people from low-income and disadvantaged backgrounds access PhDs and research careers through a year of development opportunities.

In2research participants attend online workshops, mentoring sessions and away days. The programme concludes in this placement opportunity.

The workshops and mentoring sessions cover topics to support professional development, such as analysing research papers, CV writing, and interview preparation.

For more information about the programme please visit our [website](#).

What is involved?

As a placement host, you are committing to hosting an In2research participant for 8 weeks to either:

- A) a bespoke research project
- B) to contribute to a wider existing project

Placement hosts complete a form with information about the project opportunities available in their team. These are then advertised on our virtual platform to In2research participants.

Participants will apply for up to three placements by submitting a CV and short covering letter for each placement of interest. Applications will be reviewed by the host and applicants shortlisted for interviews. Hosts will interview candidates with support from the In2research team.

Successful candidates will then be hosted by the research group for 8 weeks over summer 2022, at a time agreed between the hosts and the candidate.

Please note that there will be more placement projects available than participants, and not all groups who submit opportunities will be matched with a participant.

Hosts are required to attend an online induction, featuring Race and Cultural Literacy Training in May (2 hours; date TBC).



Race and Cultural Literacy Training



In this training, you will reflect on and learn about how people have different experiences within research and education based on their perceived differences, extending to their race, cultural background, and more.

This will give you an insight into the diverse needs and backgrounds of students, helping to provide context when students behave contrary to your expectations, and giving you confidence in interacting with people from different backgrounds.

By the end of this training, you will be more aware of the barriers different people face when engaging with research and academia, receive tips on building your working relationship with people from diverse backgrounds, and be part of a positive change to improve research culture.

Timeline

Date	Time
<u>Placement opportunity submission deadline</u>	Wednesday 19th January 2022
Applications close for In2research participants	Monday 21st February 2022
Interviews for placements	March 2022
Placements confirmed	End of April 2022
Placement Host Induction	May 2022 (exact date TBC)
Summer placements	June/July/August (exact dates agreed by host and candidate)

Who are the In2research participants?

50 university-level students have been selected for the In2research programme.

In2research participants are STEM students or graduates from low-income and disadvantaged backgrounds who are considering a PhD and a career in research.

They will vary in experience from second year undergraduate students to graduates with a Master's degree, however all are passionate about their subjects and have shown a real thirst for knowledge, selected from nearly 300 applications.

How do I advertise a placement opportunity?

You can submit a placement opportunity via [this link](#) (one submission per project opportunity).

Please provide as much detail as possible (without using too much jargon!) to give our participants an informed choice.

Projects will be advertised to In2research participants on our virtual platform.

Can I submit more than one project idea?

Yes! We encourage placement hosts to submit as many project opportunities as possible to give participants lots of choice when they come to apply for placements. It is also possible that you may get participants applying for multiple placement opportunities.

Do I need to be a Principal Investigator to host a placement?

No, you do not need to be head of a lab to host a placement. However, you will need approval from your Line Manager/ Supervisor before submitting an advert.

Are the placements paid?

Yes, the participant will be provided with a stipend of £3068 for the duration of their placement. This is to align with London Living Wage. Placement stipends will be paid to the participant by In2scienceUK, and are funded by your university.

Will we receive funding for lab costs?

Lab or consumable costs will not be covered by In2research for the placement.

I have other questions about hosting a placement.

Just email research@in2scienceuk.org  we are here to help!

