

Pre-PHD Preparation Programme

International Foundation Group



Our three-month course will help to identify a research topic and develop a research proposal which is right for you, and take you step by step through the university application process. The course consists of a series of workshops together with one-to-one sessions focused on the main stages of a PhD application, starting with the research methods required to identify your research topic.

Workshop topics include:

- Initial research into universities and suitable research topics
- Literature review searches
- Quantitative and qualitative research methods
- Preparing a qualitative interview checklist
- Preparing a quantitative research survey instrument
- Developing research questions and objectives
- Developing a conceptual framework
- Contributing to knowledge and originality
- Tentative methodology and justification of research design
- Defending your proposal at an interview
- Preparing a PhD application

By the end of the course, you will:

- Have developed your understanding of different aspects of research methods
- Have developed a range of skills to successfully apply for PhD study at universities in different countries
- Have completed an appropriate and viable research proposal
- Be able to defend your proposal at an interview

PhD application reference

You leave with an IFG reference to accompany your application to your chosen university.

The reference will comment on your proposal your progress during the course and your ability to articulate your proposal

Entry requirements

- Academic qualifications which meet university requirements for PhD study, typically these will include a Master's degree and an English language level equivalent to 6.0 or 6.5 IELTS

Additional English language support is available

Fees and Start Dates

London: GBP 4,000
Abu Dhabi: USD 4,750
Online: GBP 3,000
Note: Fees are subject to change

Start dates: September & January

Courses length: 3 months

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