

Supervisor Information

2021 Enrichment Scheme

This document has been produced to provide brief guidance to supervisors and Heads of Department who have students interested in applying for the Turing's 2021 Enrichment scheme.

Summary of the Enrichment Scheme

Now entering its sixth year, the Turing Enrichment scheme offers students currently enrolled on a doctoral programme at a UK university the opportunity to join us for up to 12 months at the Turing. In addition, this year students can choose to base their Enrichment scheme at two of the Turing university partners: Bristol and Leeds. Students continue their PhD in conjunction with their current supervisor, while enriching their research and making new collaborations during their time on the scheme.

Key information:

- *Start date: October 2021, January 2022 or March 2022*
- *Duration: 6, 9 or 12 months full time or part time placement (for March 2022 start date only 6 or 9 full or part time placement available)*
- *Stipend top up: to bring the student's current annual stipend in line with the Turing stipend (expected maximum £6700 in London and £5200 in Bristol and Leeds)¹*
- *Travel allowance to visit home university, or for supervisor to visit Turing for research/supervisory purposes*
- *Ability to apply for the Enrichment Conference Fund which awards up to £400 to support students to present on research undertaken during their time on the scheme*
- *Ability to apply for the Enrichment training fund which awards up to £400 to support students to undertake external training opportunities*

There is no typical Enrichment student, and applications are encouraged from graduates from diverse academic disciplines and whose research embraces the Turing's ethos of interdisciplinary collaboration within data science and artificial intelligence. Training opportunities are provided for the students in both technical skills and theory across a broad range of data science and artificial intelligence, as well as in the research skills necessary for doctoral level researchers. The training at the Turing promotes cohort development and engagement is actively encouraged.

¹ Figures calculated for a 12-month placement, pro-rated for shorter / part time placements.

Application Process and Candidate Selection

Candidates apply directly to the Turing through our application portal. Candidates are asked to discuss the Enrichment placement with their supervisor and department prior to application and gain approval to participate. As part of the application, supervisors are asked to submit a reference for the candidate. For more details on the assessment criteria please review the Enrichment Call Document.

The deadline for applications is **2nd February 2021, 12pm noon GMT**.

Student Supervision

[Expectations for Supervisors](#)

Supervisors must commit to continuing to supervise their student while they participate in the Enrichment scheme. We ask that supervisors commit to a minimum of monthly meetings, either by face-to-face or remote options.

Throughout the student's placement the supervisor is welcome and encouraged to visit the Turing and engage with events and activities happening at the Institute or university partners. Support for supervisory visits may be made available through the student's travel allowance if the student feels this is in their best interests.

Students and supervisors are also encouraged to explore potential collaborations with [Turing Research Fellows](#) and [Turing Research Programmes](#). Collaborations with Research Fellows and Programmes can provide additional informal support for students as well as new avenues for research and connection.

[Student Services Support](#)

We want to ensure that all our students feel fully supported during their time on the Enrichment scheme. Students will have access to range of both academic and pastoral support options at the Turing and its partner universities.

The Academic Programmes team at the Turing run a dedicated student support service who are able to provide support on a range of student topics. Students will also be able to access support from drop in academic mentoring and group programme mentoring at the Turing.

This central provision will be available to those at Bristol and Leeds, in addition to a designated local contact who will help coordinate the Enrichment scheme. Students at the partner universities will usually have an assigned academic mentor to support them in their project.

Opportunities to engage with the cohort, by becoming a student rep or taking part in a range of social activities taking place at the Institute are also encouraged.

All students, no matter their choice of location, have access to certain Turing benefits, including access to the Institute's Employee Assistance Programme, which provides a 24 hour telephone helpline, as well as referrals to face-to-face counselling.

[Information for University Departments](#)

The Turing will work with the student's home university department to organise and administer the Enrichment placement. This will include arranging payment of the stipend top up to the student through the usual channels at the university.

All students are asked to confirm they have the permission of their university to study away before applying and will be asked at offer stage to produce a letter confirming this.

Contact Details

For questions on the Turing's Enrichment scheme please contact the Institute's Researcher Development and Training team through academic-recruitment@turing.ac.uk.