Our ESRC studentships are open to candidates who fulfil the academic and residential criteria outlined in the 'Application Guide for 2022 Entry'. We are also keen to widen participation in the studentships and recognise that candidates may wish to supply additional information about their academic or personal backgrounds which can be considered by the academic panels during the selection process. **Please use this section to elaborate in no more than 350 words how you qualify within the widening participation criteria of UBEL DTP.** We are committed to addressing inequalities in participation in our doctoral training programme. The UBEL DTP encourages applications from all under-represented groups, including people with disabilities, ethnic minorities (especially Black British), lower income families and mature students. Please note this section is to inform a sub-panel of UBEL DTP staff your special circumstances and the difficulties you may have overcome in achieving your education and not the topic/content of your proposal. **This task is mandatory to complete however, if you do not wish to include any other information, please put ‘Not Applicable’ here.**

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