

Three PhD Studentships in 'Adaptable Suburbs'

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Adaptable Suburbs: a study of the relationship between networks of human activity and the changing form of urban and suburban centres through time

Following the recent award of a 3.5 year grant from the EPSRC, the Adaptable Suburbs project is advertising three PhD studentships, as follows:

1. Space syntax analysis of 'emergent centralities';
2. Historical spatial ethnography
3. Commercial ethnography

UCL Department / Division: Bartlett School of Graduate Studies, Department of Anthropology

Duration of Studentship: 3.5 Years

Stipend: Full stipend of £15,590 per annum, rising annually, subject to nationality and residence status

Vacancy Information: The UCL 'Adaptable Suburbs' project invites applications for three 3.5 year fully-funded EPSRC studentships at University College London commencing 1st October 2010 (or soon after). The scholarships include full bursary and tuition fees. The students will be joining a team of researchers from the disciplines of built environment, anthropology and geomatic engineering. The studentships will be hosted by UCL Bartlett School of Graduate Studies (studentship 1) or UCL Anthropology (studentships 2 and 3) and will be supervised by the project team: Dr Laura Vaughan, Dr Victor Buchli and Dr Sam Griffiths.

The 'Adaptable Suburbs' project is focused on understanding how small centres of socio-economic activity emerge through time, using Greater London as its geographical focus. It stems from a previous project which looked at twenty of London's outer suburbs, see www.sstc.ucl.ac.uk. The research will provide evidence for policy decision making and for planning and design to improve the future sustainability of the aging built environment. It will also develop innovative methods for the integration of socio-economic data with information about the layout of urban areas. The project is funded jointly by the EPSRC (Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council) and the ESRC (Economic and Social Sciences Research Council).

Eligibility: For nationality and residence requirements, please see

<http://www.epsrc.ac.uk/PostgraduateTraining/StudentEligibility.htm>. Candidates must have obtained a 2.1 or equivalent and a Master's degree in the relevant subject – see person specification for details. For 2010-11 the stipend will be £15,590, in addition to the tuition fee, which will be paid to the university from the project funds.

Applications should include a CV, academic transcripts and a two-page statement explaining how your research experience and academic knowledge relate to the project in general and to the studentship to which you are applying in particular. Applications should state clearly which studentship is being applied for and should be sent to: Dr Laura Vaughan, copying to Dr Victor Buchli and Dr Sam Griffiths. Please include a contact telephone number and an email address where you can be easily reached. Academic references will be taken up for all short-listed candidates.

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We plan to interview shortlisted candidates on 27th September 2010.

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