



FEMINIST CENTRE FOR RACIAL JUSTICE



SOAS
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PhD Studentship in the School of Women and Gender Studies, Makerere University

Introduction:

The School of Women and Gender Studies, Makerere University in collaboration with the Feminist Centre for Racial Justice (hereafter FCRJ), SOAS, University of London invites applications for two funded split site PhDs in Gender Studies.

The School of Women and Gender Studies is Africa's oldest and biggest School of Gender Studies with a mission of providing intellectual leadership for mainstreaming gender in all aspects of economic, political and social – cultural development. It is a multidisciplinary academic unit that is at the forefront of academic and community initiatives to address gender and development issues from an African perspective. The School works through a comprehensive strategy that includes teaching; research, publication and dissemination; outreach, networking and advocacy; and gender mainstreaming.

FCRJ is one of several officially constituted research centres at SOAS, University of London. FCRJ, which is in the College of Law, Anthropology and Politics focuses on the majority world as geographies from which to build feminist imaginaries of “race”. The Centre brings together fields of enquiry that have developed in parallel: feminist theories on power, protests and change, studies of diasporas, critical race theories and migration studies. FCRJ's mission is to become a global reference point for transnational knowledge on racial justice. We will forge a transnational understanding of racial justice by producing critical research to understand a problem – racism - and test strategies to build racial justice. The PhD studentships form part of the academic and research interventions of the Centre. Read more about the Feminist Centre for Racial Justice work here.

Scholarship overview:

1. Applications are invited for two fully funded PhD studentship (fees and stipend) to be held at the School of Women and Gender Studies, at Makerere University.
2. These PhDs will be tenured at Makerere University School of Women and Gender Studies, with a semester per year spent at SOAS, University of London.
3. The successful candidates will carry out an independent sub-project under the direction of your supervisors at Makerere University and SOAS University of London.
4. The specifics of the research will be shaped by the candidate's interests, but applicants should propose a topic that clearly aligns with the objectives of the [Feminist Centre for Racial Justice](#).



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We especially welcome candidates who are interested in exploring research projects that address the following themes:

1. Migration and Diasporas which includes explorations of domestic migrant labour
2. Policing, Borders, and Carceral Frameworks
3. Reparative Justice.
4. Artificial intelligence, digital innovations, technology and their racialised logics.
5. Feminism and Just Climate Transitions
6. Social Movements and Racial Justice

Candidate Criteria and Application Process

1. Applications are welcome from candidates who adopt an inter and transdisciplinary approach to the topics above.
2. Applicants are encouraged to explain in their applications how their profile and plans would fit the Feminist Centre's scope.
3. Applicants must meet the standard eligibility entry criteria for PhD study at Makerere University [found here](#)
4. Scholarship applicants must apply for admission via the [Makerere University application form](#), clearly **stating** that they are also applying for the SOAS Feminist Centre for Racial Justice /Makerere University School of Women and Gender Studies PhD Scholarship)
5. The assessment committee which will include teams from both universities simultaneously consider the applicant for admission to the Makerere PhD programme as well as their suitability for this scholarship.

Eligible programmes

1. Any full-time PhD Programme in Gender Studies
2. New admissions, starting in May 2024.

Candidate Assessment

1. Candidates will be assessed based on the information provided in their scholarship application and in their online admission application for admission.
2. One award will be granted to the strongest applicant based on an assessment of their academic excellence, research potential, the strength of their research proposal and fit with the remit of the Feminist Centre.

Scholarship application deadline

1. The deadline for receiving applications is 29th February 2024 at 11.59.
2. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.
3. Review of applications by the technical committee will be completed by 15th March 2024



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4. Preliminary admission will be completed by April 2024
5. Due to the competitive nature of the award, only the successful candidate will be notified by April 2024. If you have not heard from us by then, you should assume that your application was unsuccessful.

Scholarship Amount:

Tuition fees and annual stipend that covers research costs will be 7,000£ for three years

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