

# What is a Doctoral Training Partnership?

## The Key elements

### Targeted funding for a whole cohort

Doctoral Training Partnerships only offer fully funded scholarships so your course fees will be paid in full and you get a living grant and research grant.

They bring students together to undergo their skills training together as a group, instead of singly.

They create a cohort of peers and friends and provide pastoral support throughout the PhD

### Interdisciplinarity

Real-world problems do not confine themselves to single branches of science so you will be able to collaborate with researchers across departments. Multidisciplinary research environments enable different specialties to pool their expertise. External partnerships add a layer of real-world experience and will provide further context for your research.

### Partnerships

Partners contribute a wide variety of different experiences including co-supervision, fieldwork placements, and specialist training. The experts in their fields will be supporting you throughout your doctoral training.

### Focused training

Training is approached in a number of ways. What skills are needed by the student to conduct their research? What are employers looking for in post-doctoral applicants? What professional skills will you need to develop your career whether in or out of academia? Students are brought together to receive targeted training for all these purposes.

### Oxford DTP – Course structure

#### Term 1

- Training with your cohort to develop your research skills

#### Term 2

- Development of research project
- multi-disciplinary training with your cohort

#### Term 3

- Moving out to your chosen department to begin your research

### Ongoing throughout your degree

- specialised training relevant to chosen research project
- Multi-disciplinary seminar series and reading groups

### Communication and public engagement

For science to flourish the public must be kept informed and given the tools necessary to engage with the research. There will be a strong focus on outreach and public engagement, as well as how to communicate your research findings to other scientists.