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Further details and application forms are available at:

[www.bristol.ac.uk/sps/studying/doctoral/phd/applying/](http://www.bristol.ac.uk/sps/studying/doctoral/phd/applying/) or from Andrea Osborn, Graduate Research Secretary, School for Policy Studies, The University of Bristol, 8 Priory Road, Bristol, BS8 1TZ. Tel: 0117 9546758. Email: [A.L.Osborn@bris.ac.uk](mailto:A.L.Osborn@bris.ac.uk).

Application forms should be clearly marked 'Policy Press Studentship' (Section 6) **and must be submitted to the University by 17<sup>th</sup> May 2010.**

Potential applicants are also welcome to discuss these opportunities further with the Postgraduate Research Admissions Officer, Dr Patricia Lucas ([patricia.lucas@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:patricia.lucas@bristol.ac.uk))

Candidates must hold, or expected to be awarded prior to admission, a Masters level degree in a relevant subject area. The successful candidate would be expected to start their MPhil/PhD in October 2010 and, if appropriate, to undertake research methods training in their first year alongside their doctoral studies.

The criteria against which applications will be assessed are:

- Your previous experience/qualifications
- The content and coherence of your research proposal
- The proposed methodology and methods
- The potential for development of a Policy Press publication arising from your thesis
- The School's capacity to provide appropriate supervision