

Eligibility for RCUK studentships:

- Research Council (RC) fees and stipend can only be awarded to UK and EU students and not to EEA or International students.
- EU students are only eligible for RC stipend if they have been resident in the UK for 3 years, including for study purposes, immediately prior to starting their PhD.
- If an EU student cannot fulfil this condition then they are eligible for a fees only studentship.
- International students cannot be funded from RC funds unless they are 'settled' in the UK. 'Settled' means being ordinarily resident in the UK without any immigration restrictions on the length of stay in the UK. To be 'settled' a student must either have the Right to Abode or Indefinite leave to remain in the UK or have the right of permanent residence in the UK under EC law. If the student's passport describes them as a British citizen they have the Right of Abode.
- Students with full Refugee status are eligible for fees and stipend.