

Are you eligible to apply for a Daphne Jackson Fellowship?

Daphne Jackson Fellowships are retraining fellowships for women and men who have taken a break of 2 years or more from STEM research for family, caring or health reasons. They are 2 year, part-time fellowships held in a UK university or research institute and include at least 100 hours retraining per year. They are designed to give you the confidence and skills to return to your chosen career.

Please note: The Trust maintains the exclusive right to decide whether or not to accept and process an application for a fellowship.

Requirements for all candidates

The application process for a Daphne Jackson Fellowship is competitive. Individuals wishing to be considered for a Fellowship must at least meet the following criteria:

- A career break of at least two years' duration, taken for family, health or caring reasons
- Honours degree in a science, technology, engineering or mathematics (STEM) subject
- A PhD, or at least 3 years research experience (academic or industrial) prior to the career break
- UK residency status / right to remain in the UK indefinitely and be based in the UK when you apply
- Good command of English (spoken and written)
- Computer skills

Your application will be stronger if you also have post-doctoral experience and peer-reviewed publications.

Assessing your eligibility and suitability

CV and personal statement

In order that we can assess your eligibility and suitability for a Daphne Jackson Fellowship, please complete the CV/personal statement and personal details forms which can be downloaded from the Daphne Jackson Trust website www.daphnejackson.org, and submit them via email to djmft@surrey.ac.uk.

References

Please provide contact details of no less than two personal referees. At least one referee should have known you in a professional capacity (even if this was some time ago). At least one should be an academic referee. Your proposed supervisor should not be a personal referee.

Eligibility and suitability decision

If you fit our eligibility criteria, one of the Trust's Fellowship Advisors will arrange a telephone call with you to talk through your CV, career break and field of interest and assess your need to retrain and future employment prospects. This will allow us to confirm whether or not you are eligible and suitable for a Fellowship. The following criteria will be considered:

- Your personal background and experience
- The potential benefit of an award to your future career
- The likelihood of attracting successful sponsorship (where relevant)

If eligibility and suitability is confirmed, you will be asked to submit a draft research and retraining proposal (guidance is given). Your draft proposal will be assessed for both merit and in the case of regular fellowships, the likelihood of securing sponsorship, and a decision will be made on whether you may continue in the process and be invited to make a formal application. Please see our '**Applying for a Daphne Jackson Trust Fellowship**' guidelines.

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