



White Rose Doctoral Training Partnership (WRDTP) Research in Practice (RinP) Placement Opportunity

The following information has been provided by the Host Organisation and outlines the placement opportunity available. Any queries about this placement should be addressed to the Host Organisation at the details provided below.

All placements must meet the criteria listed in the [WRDTP RinP Placement Framework](#).

This opportunity is aimed at Postgraduate Researchers who have funding through a Doctoral Training Partnership to undertake a placement as part of their studentship.

Host Details	
Name of Host Organisation:	Institute for Sustainable Food, University of Sheffield
Host location:	Sheffield
Brief description of the Host Organisation: <i>Please include a link to a website if you have one.</i>	The Institute for Sustainable Food is a research centre at the University of Sheffield, addressing the global challenges of food security and sustainability: https://sheffield.ac.uk/sustainable-food
Host contact details:	<i>Any queries about this opportunity should be addressed to the Host Organisation:</i> sustainablefood@sheffield.ac.uk

Project Description	
Placement role title: <i>e.g. Project Assistant</i>	Project Assistant
Background/ expected impact of the project:	To assist in the delivery and analysis of a survey to assess the public acceptance of foods that have been produced hydroponically, with follow-up interviews of a subset of survey respondents.
Outline of duties:	To help design and administer the survey and subsequent analysis of the data.
Expected output(s)/ deliverable(s):	A report (in collaboration with FoodWorks Sheffield) and possible academic publication.

Support for Postgraduate Researcher:	Supervision will be provided by Jacob Nickles, researcher on the H3 project (www.h3.ac.uk) based in the School of Geography and Planning.
Skills and experience required for the role:	Experience of undertaking social surveys and interviews plus data analysis using SPSS or similar software.

Key Information	
Placement ideal start date:	November 2025
Placement duration:	13 weeks
Full-time or part-time: <i>e.g. 37.5 hours per week or usually 18-19 hours per week</i>	Part-time (working hours to be agreed)
In-person, online or hybrid:	Hybrid
Security/ health and safety restrictions (if relevant):	None
Anticipated costs and financial support the Host can offer to help cover these (if relevant): <i>e.g. travel and subsistence costs.</i>	Costs will be minimal as mostly conducted online. But travel costs may be payable for face-to-face meetings if the researcher is not based in Sheffield.

How to Apply	
Closing date and time for applications:	17 October 2025
Application format: <i>e.g. CV, cover letter, application form, etc</i>	Short CV and cover letter providing evidence of relevant skills and experience.
How to submit an application:	By email to jacob.nickles@sheffield.ac.uk
Recruitment process:	<i>The Host Organisation is responsible for processing the applications received for this opportunity and applications will be processed as follows:</i>

	Shortlisting of applications will be conducted by members of the Institute for Sustainable Food. Shortlisted candidates will then be invited for an interview (online or face-to-face).
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