# Application to Change Candidature

**Postgraduate Research Students**

For guidance on completing this form, please see: [www.shef.ac.uk/rs/code/candidature](http://www.shef.ac.uk/rs/code/candidature)

## SECTION 1: TO BE COMPLETED BY THE STUDENT

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Are you studying in the UK on a visa?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

**CORONAVIRUS:** Is this change of candidature request caused as a result of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak:  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

Are you funded by a Doctoral Loan  
☐ Yes  ☐ No  
Are you funded by a Research Council scholarship (if yes, provide details)  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

**Change of candidature – tick all that apply:**

☐ Change of mode of attendance

☐ Change of programme of study  
*International students studying on a Tier 4 student visa should note that there may be visa implications if they request a change of programme, see: [www.shef.ac.uk/rs/code/candidature](http://www.shef.ac.uk/rs/code/candidature)*

☐ Change of research topic

☐ Change of Department and/or Faculty

Additional details: *please use this space or attach additional sheets to add further information*

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**ATAS – Academic Technology Approval Scheme (applies only to non-UK/EU/EEA students):**

ATAS approval is issued by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO) and is specific to a student’s research topic and programme of study. Students who change their research topic and/or programme of study may need to apply for a new ATAS approval certificate. If new ATAS approval is required, students are not permitted to commence their new programme or research topic until ATAS clearance has been approved by the FCO and email confirmation approving the change of programme/research topic has been issued by Research & Innovation Services. For more information see [http://www.sheffield.ac.uk/ssid/international/immigration/atas](http://www.sheffield.ac.uk/ssid/international/immigration/atas)

Does this change require ATAS approval?  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

If yes, has the request for ATAS been submitted and approved? (if yes, please attach a copy of the new ATAS certificate)  
☐ Yes  ☐ No

Student signature:  
Date:

**Confirmation of the outcome of your change of candidature request will be sent to your University email account**
## SECTION 2: TO BE COMPLETED BY THE ACADEMIC DEPARTMENT

Do you support the student’s application for a change of candidature?  

- [ ] Yes  
- [ ] No

Additional details: *please use this space or attach additional sheets to add further information*

This application has been considered by the Department(s) and the above information is accurate

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## SECTION 3: TO BE COMPLETED BY INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT FOR APPLICATIONS BY OVERSEAS STUDENTS ONLY

Is the proposed change of candidature compatible with UK immigration policy?  

- [ ] Yes  
- [ ] No  

Additional notes:

## SECTION 4: TO BE COMPLETED BY RESEARCH SERVICES

Is a new ATAS application required?  

- [ ] Yes  
- [ ] No

Does this withdrawal/ transfer require reporting to:  

- [ ] Yes  
- [ ] No

UKVI  

Student Loans Company  

Is this change of candidature request approved by the Faculty?  

- [ ] Yes  
- [ ] No

Additional notes:

Signed on behalf of the Faculty by:  

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