



New opportunity for Early Career Researchers:

Apply to become a member of the Howard League's Research Advisory Group

The Howard League is seeking three Early Career Researchers (ECRs) to join its [Research Advisory Group](#). The aim of these appointments will be to support the Howard League for Penal Reform's wider research and strategic aims and the enhance the charity's relationship with ECR researchers across academia.

The Howard League continually seeks to develop initiatives to strengthen and broaden its research capabilities: this includes the Research Advisory Group (RAG). It is comprised of a small group of academics, each of whom specialise in various aspects of the criminal justice system or allied areas of study. The role of this group is to:

- help identify or scope potential areas for research
- help identify research opportunities and partners
- support work undertaken with early career academics
- support the underpinning of Howard League activities and campaigns with research
- advise on research applications and research design
- assist in the selection of researchers to undertake research
- review submitted papers, articles and proposals
- help oversee research as required

What should the successful candidates expect? RAG members are asked to provide the charity with ad hoc support and information relating to individual research interests, but also to the charity's wider objectives. We will be asking our ECR members to assist the development of our work with ECRs. All RAG members are invited to attend an annual meeting.

Each will be provided with a mentor from the RAG to support them in the role.

We will invite the successful candidates to attend our international conference [Crime, Justice and the Human Condition](#) in Oxford in September 2022 to support the charity's learning arising from the event.

The successful candidates will be appointed for an initial two-year term.

Who should apply? We consider an ECR to include doctoral students, post-doctoral researchers as well as academics in junior academic posts. Please address in your application why we should consider you to be an ECR.

We actively welcome applicants from groups of people that are under-represented on boards including racially minoritised people and people with lived experience of the criminal justice system. At least one of the three positions will be held for applicants from underrepresented groups.

How to apply. Please submit a covering letter and CV. This should address your research interests and how the appointment would benefit both your career development and the wider work of the Howard League. We would be particularly interested in hearing from you about how we could better engage with the ECR community.

Send your application to the Howard League's Research Director, Anita Dockley, at anita.dockley@howardleague.org by Monday 13 December. Candidates will be shortlisted and asked to attend a short interview in early January 2022 (date TBC).

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