

DERI Fellows Network

The Digital Environment Research Institute hosts a DERI Fellows Network designed to unite researchers working in AI, data science, and related fields to work collaboratively to tackle issues and deliver impact.

The network is open to all academic staff at Queen Mary to join, enabling them to benefit from an enriched network of users from across the University, supporting cross disciplinary working and networking building. DERI Fellows play a key role in supporting the development of the Institute, with a core element of our strategy focused on bringing together researchers from across disciplines to collectively address raising issues and global challenges.

The expectations, and benefits of being a DERI Fellow, as well as how to apply are outlined below.

Eligibility

Applicants need to be an academic staff member based at Queen Mary with an interest in digital, data science, or AI.

Those who fall into other research staffing categories who are interested in connecting with DERI, could join the DERI Community mailing list. Requests to join this mailing list should be made by emailing deri@qmul.ac.uk.

Benefits

- New networks for research, focusing on cross-disciplinarity, providing new vistas for collaboration and developments for your research. Leveraging these networks to participate in funding applications.
- Access to the HPC (named Andrena) consisting of 64 NVidia A100 GPUs.
- Enhanced visibility and exposure, including being featured on the DERI webpages.
- Access to the touchdown space in the DERI basement
- Joining the DERI mailing list; with a weekly newsletter summarising DERI activity, grant opportunities, and events.

Expectations

- Participation in DERI Seminar Series and other research activities, including regular involvement in DERI-led events
- Drive to submit multi-disciplinary grant applications as lead (or co-lead) with 1 or more Queen Mary based collaborator, aiming for larger grants such as UKRI responsive modes (£300K plus).
- Be open to new collaborative possibilities including research applications in new domains.
- Support the growth of the DERI community through collaborative working, introducing contacts, as relevant to the community, and being open to sharing knowledge and expertise with those from different disciplines, including acknowledging DERI were relevant.

DERI may at times request participation in feedback surveys, collation of data for Queen Mary level responses (i.e. to Government White Papers), and other ad-hoc opportunities to hear a collective voice on AI and data science related activities.

Term

Successful applicants will be members of the DERI Fellow Network for an initial period of 2 years, with the possibility of renewal.

Application Process

Those interested in applying to be part of the DERI Fellows Network should complete the [online application form](#).

Becoming part of the DERI Fellows Network is a voluntary activity and does not signify a formal relationship with the institute. Grants applications will continue to be submitted via home departments as usual, however membership enables the opportunity to engage with DERI, and work with colleagues from across the University on cross-discipline applications.