

Applicant guidance



This guidance is to assist with the application for a job vacancy online and answers the following questions.

- How do I find a job vacancy at Goldsmiths?
- What do I need to do to apply?
- What information should I enter into my application?
- How can I withdraw me application?

Equality & Diversity.

This policy will be applied in a non-discriminatory way, irrespective of age, disability, gender, gender identity, gender reassignment, race, religion or belief or sexual orientation.

Accessibility

If a staff member require this procedure in an alternative format, please contact Human Resources HR@gold.ac.uk

Human Resources

Thank you for your interest in working at Goldsmiths, University of London. The following document has been put together as a guide to ensure that you provide us with an application that best reflects your skills and experience for the position you are applying for. Please do take the time to read these notes thoroughly before embarking on your application, you may also find it useful to refer to this guidance whilst completing your application form.

To complete your online application, please follow the steps below. All fields marked with a red asterisk * are compulsory and must be completed before moving to the next section. Each screen has instructions at the top and these should be read and followed.

We do not accept CV only applications, all applicants must complete the application form. Applicants are able to provide a CV to support the content of their application, however the form should be completed fully. For larger sections of text, you may wish to complete the statement in an offline document (e.g. Microsoft Word) and paste it into the relevant section on the form.

Should you wish to close your application and return to it at a later date, you can do this by logging off, ensuring that you have saved the completed sections. When you log in again you will see the role under 'Overview of applications' and can click into it to resume.

We use an online recruitment system and it is our preference that all applicants apply using our online form, however we understand that for some applicants this is not possible. If you do require a hard copy application form please email hr@gold.ac.uk or contact the Human Resources team on 020 7717 3388.

For any queries relating to the role, please contact the person named in the job listing, or if no name is listed email hr@gold.ac.uk. For any system queries, please contact agresso@gold.ac.uk.

You may also find it useful to visit the <u>National Careers Service</u> website. As well as offering application form completion, CV and interview advice, they also offer local careers advisory services open to all.

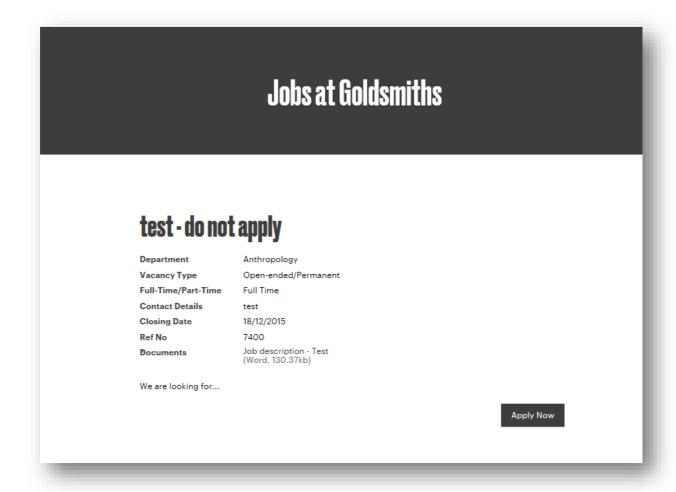
1. To begin, find a job you wish to apply for. Information on working at Goldsmiths can be found here http://www.gold.ac.uk/working/, including a link to current vacancies. Upon selecting an appropriate job, you will be presented with a screen similar to that which is below.

The advert text will provide a brief summary of what the job entails and what kind of person we are looking for. If this interests you, click on the job description under 'Documents' for a full description of the role and a person specification. The job descriptions sets out the main duties and

responsibilities of the role and includes a person specification which details the skills and attributes required of the successful candidate.

Once you have reviewed the job description, it is important that you complete the application form as fully as possible to ensure that the shortlisting panel have a complete picture of your suitability for the role. This also applies to internal applicants, as the shortlisting panel cannot make any assumptions about your skills or experience and whether or not you are invited to interview is determined solely by the information you provide on your application form.

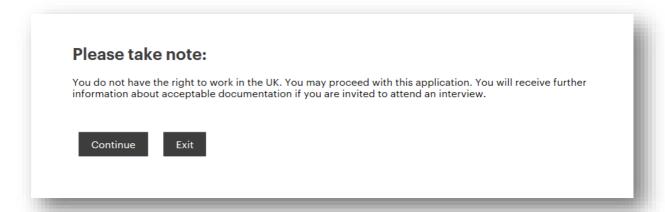
If you do wish to apply, click on 'Apply Now'.



 You will be asked whether you have the right to work in the UK and should answer this honestly. You will be allowed to progress with your application regardless of your answer. Please select your answer and click 'Save'. You may find it useful to visit our <u>immigration information</u> page for staff.



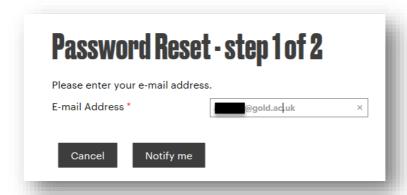
If you answer 'Yes', you will move on to the step 3. If you select 'No' the following screen will appear. If you wish to proceed with your application, click 'Continue'. If you decide not to at this stage, click on 'Exit'.



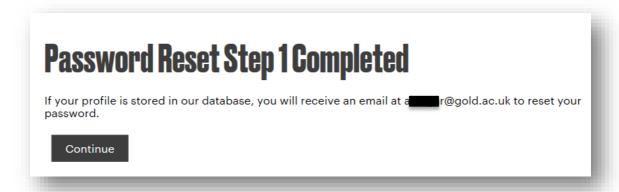
- 3. If you have already applied for a job a Goldsmiths, you may already have login details. If so, please enter your details when you see the screen below.
 - If this is your first time using the online application system, you will need to register by clicking on the 'register now' link. Please move to step 4.



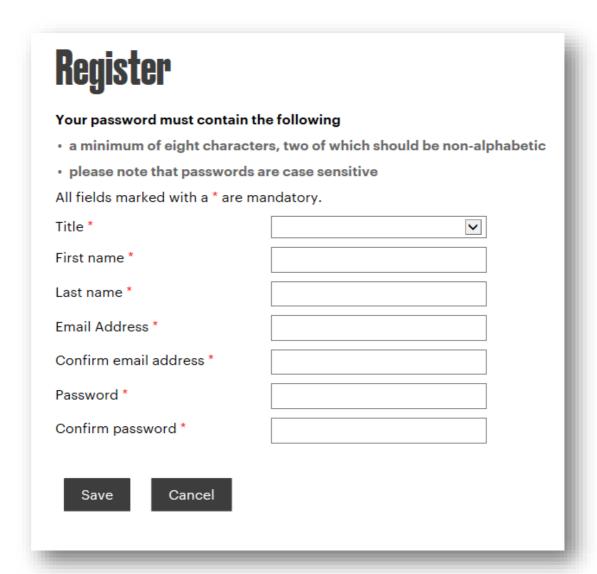
If you have registered but forgotten your password, click on the 'Password Reminder' link and you will be prompted to enter the email address you registered with, as below.



You will then see the following screen and should check your email and follow the instructions to reset your password.



4. If this is your first time using the online application system, you will need to register. Please enter your personal details when you see the screen below and click 'Save'.



You will then be presented with the following screen. Please ensure you read the information and, if you agree, check the two boxes and click 'Save'. If you do not agree, you can end your application here.

How we use your personal data

Your personal data provided while using this website is held by Hireserve Ltd. acting on behalf of Goldsmiths, University of London. Only staff who need to see your application for administrative purposes, selection, statistical analysis and research will have access to it, and the application will be destroyed after one year.

Goldsmiths is committed to providing a safe, welcoming and inclusive environment for everyone. This is underpinned by our values of respecting the individual, promoting access and diversity, and supporting our students and staff.

Data collected for Equality and Diversity is used to help us gain a more in depth understanding of our staff, helping us to target areas where we can provide better support for those who may need it. This data is kept separately from the rest of your application and is not viewed by staff involved in short-listing or selection decisions.

Should you be appointed to a position, the personal data provided on application (including Equality and Diversity data) will continue to be held by the College as part its employee records. The College's Data Protection Policy and the Staff Privacy Statement contain information about how your personal data will be processed if you become an employee.

Please contact the Human Resources Department hr@gold.ac.uk if you require any further information about the processing of your personal data.

Do you agree statement? *	to the above $\ \square$	
Are you satisfi	ed that this section is complete?	
Save	Cancel	

5. You will be asked to enter further personal information into the screen below. Once you have entered your information, check the box to the confirm the section is complete and click 'Save'.

Personal Details

Title *	Miss	
First name *		
Last name *		
Mobile number		
Home Telephone Number		
Work Telephone Number		
Are you a Goldsmiths College employee or an agency worker currently on assignment with Goldsmiths College		
Do you have 'At Risk' status at Goldsmiths College?		
Address 1 *		
Address 2		
Town/City *		
Post code		
Country *		V
National Insurance number (if unknown please state N/A) *		
Are you satisfied that this section is complete?		
Save Cancel		

Once you have registered you will be sent an email (to the email address you registered with), as below. You should keep a record of your password. The system will retain your personal details, employment history and referee details for future applications and you can edit these details as appropriate for future applications.



Dear Mana,

Thank you taking the time to look around our jobs site and registering with us.

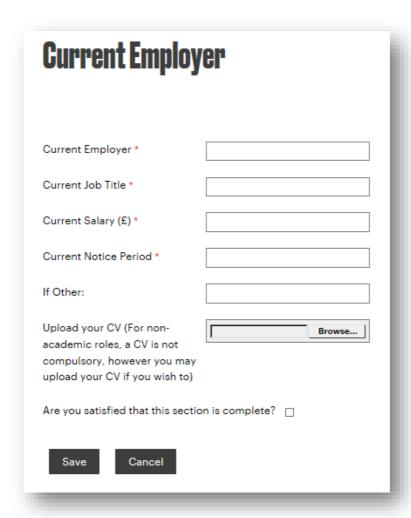
You can check the status of your applications, update your contact details and register for job alerts. You can also withdraw an application if you need to make changes or change your mind about applying.

Don't worry if you forget your password: just follow the links on the website to request a password reset. If you need any more help, please contact us.

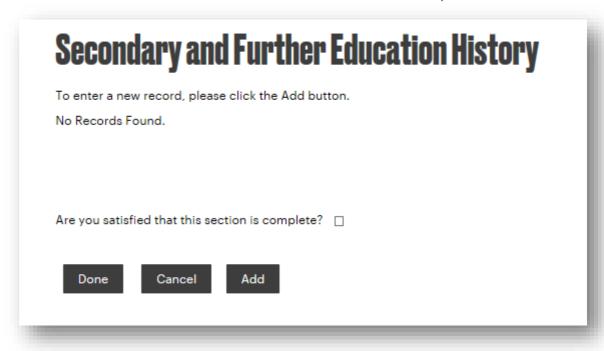
Kind regards,

HR Operations

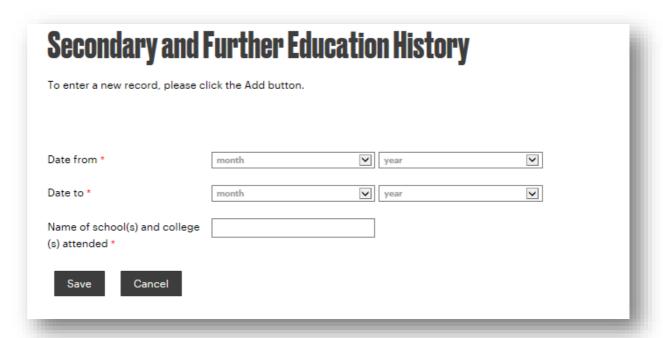
 The following screen will ask you to enter information about your current (or most recent) employment. You should also upload your CV here by clicking 'Browse' and then selecting the file from wherever it is saved on your device. Once completed, check the box confirming this and click 'Save'.



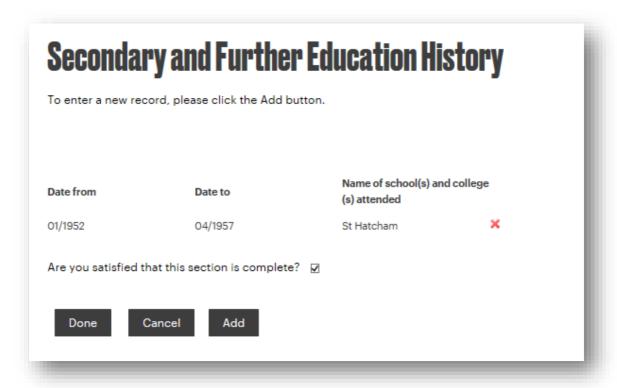
7. The next screen, below, asks for information on your secondary and further education. To enter information on an institution, click on 'Add'.



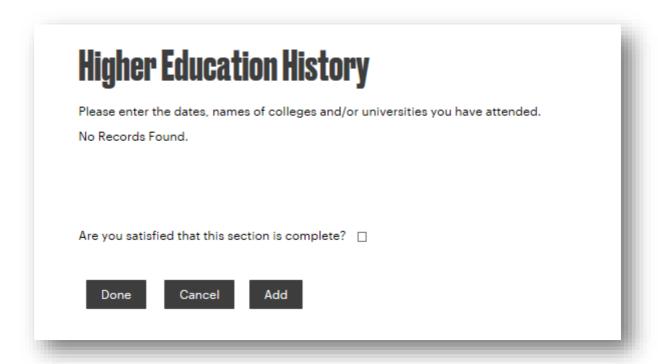
The below screen will appear and you should enter your information, then click 'Save'.



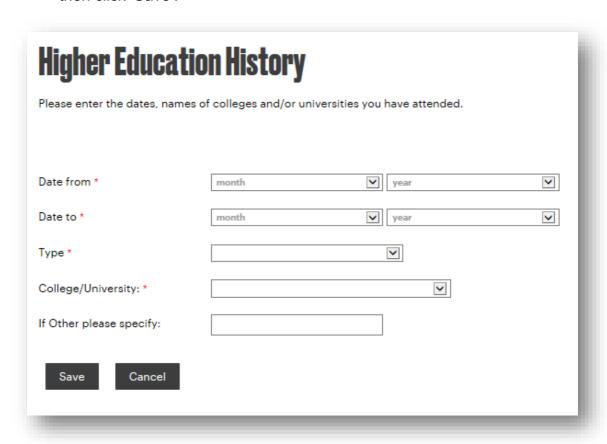
The following summary screen will show. To add further institutions, click 'Add' again and follow the instructions above. When all the information for this section has been added, tick the box to say you are satisfied the section is complete and click 'Done'. To delete any entry made previously, click on the red cross to the right of the relevant line.



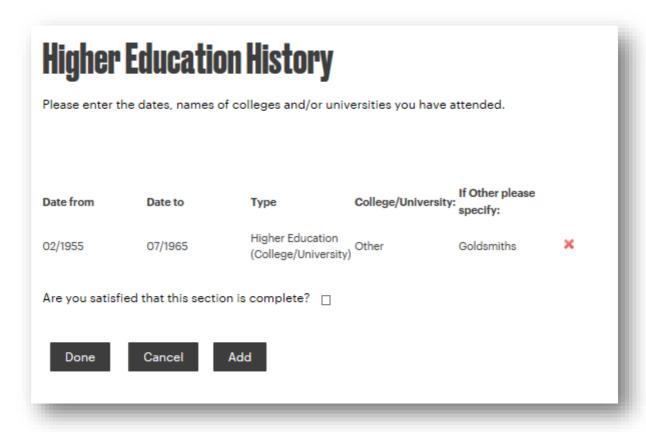
8. The next screen, below, asks for information on your higher education. To enter information on an institution, click on 'Add'.



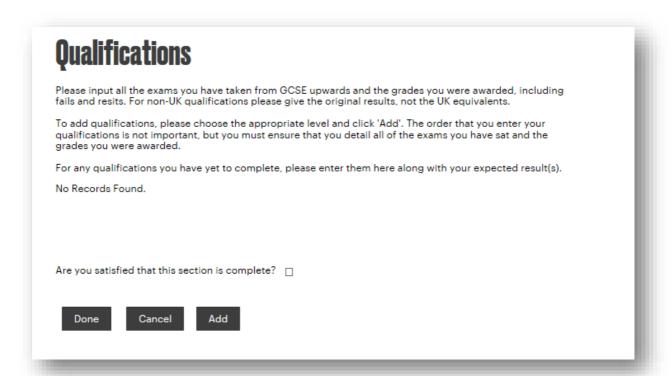
The below screen will appear and you should enter your information, then click 'Save'.



The following summary screen will show. To add further institutions, click 'Add' again and follow the instructions above. When all the information for this section has been added, tick the box to say you are satisfied the section is complete and click 'Done'. To delete any entry made previously, click on the red cross to the right of the relevant line.



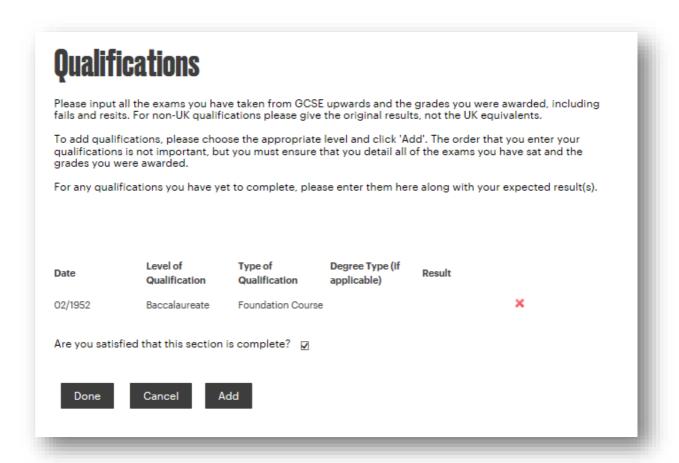
9. Next, in the screen below, you are asked to enter your qualifications. Again, click 'Add' to enter details.



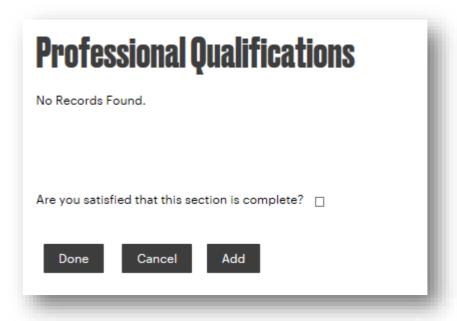
The following screen will allow you to enter details. You can expand on any particularly relevant qualifications in the application questions. Please note that we will ask you to verify these if appointed. Once you have entered the details, please click 'Save'.

Qualifications				
Please input all the exams you h fails and resits. For non-UK quali				
	To add qualifications, please choose the appropriate level and click 'Add'. The order that you enter your qualifications is not important, but you must ensure that you detail all of the exams you have sat and the grades you were awarded.			
For any qualifications you have	yet to complete, please enter ti	hem here along with your exped	cted result(s).	
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Level of Qualification *		~		
Type of Qualification *		<u> </u>		
Degree Type (if applicable)		<u> </u>		
Subjects (other):				
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Result		<u> </u>		
Result (other):				
Is this an expected result?				
Save Cancel				

The following summary screen will show. To add further qualifications, click 'Add' again and follow the instructions above. When all the information for this section has been added, tick the box to say you are satisfied the section is complete and click 'Done'. To delete any entry made previously, click on the red cross to the right of the relevant line.



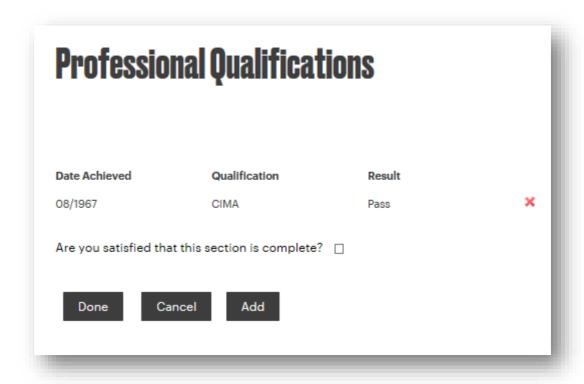
10. If you have any professional qualifications, or are a member of any professional body, please click 'Add' when you see the below screen. If not, check the box to say the section is complete and click 'Done'.



If you click 'Add', you will then see the below screen and can enter details. Please click 'Save' when you have done so.



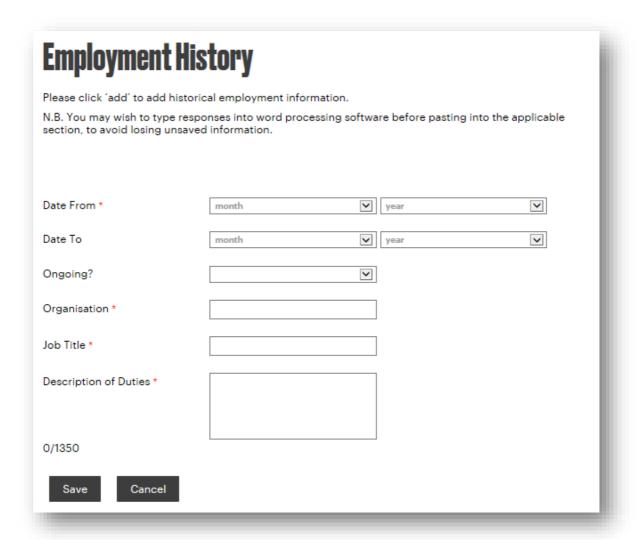
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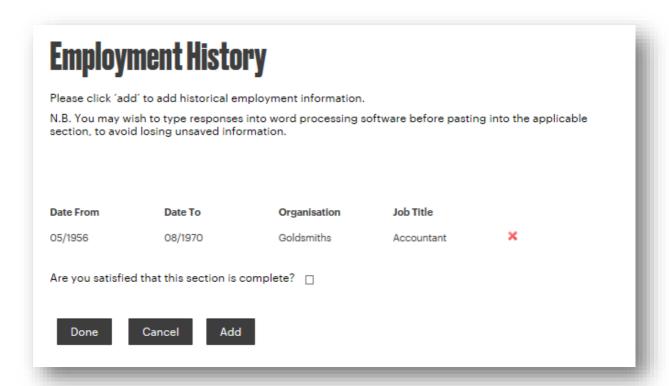
11. Next, the screen below asks you to enter your employment history. Click on 'Add'.

Employment History	
Please click 'add' to add historical employment information.	
N.B. You may wish to type responses into word processing software before pasting into the applicable section, to avoid losing unsaved information.	
No Records Found.	
Are you satisfied that this section is complete?	
Done Cancel Add	

You will see the below screen in which you can add employment details. Please enter details of your current and previous employers into the application form, starting with details of your most recent employment. Under the 'Description of Duties' field please provide an overview of your role and responsibilities within each position. You may wish to place emphasis on those duties particularly relevant to the job for which you are applying.



The following summary screen will show. To add further employment details, click 'Add' again and follow the instructions above. When all the information for this section has been added, tick the box to say you are satisfied the section is complete and click 'Done'. To delete any entry made previously, click on the red cross to the right of the relevant line.



In the below screen, you should take the opportunity to demonstrate how you meet the essential criteria, as laid out in the person specification. This section is provided so that you can provide additional information about yourself which you feel is relevant to your application and provides you with the opportunity to stand out and demonstrate your suitability for the post. Use this section to provide evidence and examples to illustrate your suitability for the position, and how your skills, experience to date, qualifications and training make you a suitable candidate for the position you are applying.

Occasionally, the number of essential criteria listed in the person specification may exceed the number of boxes available. Where this is the case, it is fine to enter the information for more than one criteria into the same box, please just ensure that you label the response for each criteria clearly.

When complete, please tick the box and click 'Save'.

Essential Crit	eria
'N/A' in the text box if the j	ob description does not specify any criteria.
N.B. You may wish to type i section, to avoid losing uns	responses into word processing software before pasting into the applicable saved information.
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12. In the below screen, you should take the opportunity to demonstrate how you meet the desirable criteria, as laid out in the person specification. This section is provided so that you can provide additional information about yourself which you feel is relevant to your application. This section provides you with the opportunity to stand out and demonstrate your suitability for the position. Use this section to provide evidence and examples to illustrate your suitability for the position, and how your skills, experience to date, qualifications and training make you a suitable candidate for the position you are applying.

When complete, please tick the box and click 'Save'.

Desirable Criter	ia	
Please specify how you meet ea 'N/A' in the text box if the job d	ch of the Desirable Criteria as detailed in the job description? Please state escription does not specify any criteria.	
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Desirable Criterion 5		
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Are you satisfied that this section is complete?		
Save Cancel		

13. When you see the below screen, please give details of two or three people who may be approached for a reference who can comment on your suitability for this position, covering at least the past three years. Both/ all should be employer references with one referee being your present or most recent employer.

Please indicate for each of the referees you have provided whether we can contact them without further permission from you. Where possible

we prefer to contact referees by email so, if possible, please provide an email address.

Referee Contact details		
Please provide a minimum of 2 referees for non-academic posts and 3 for academic posts, to cover at least the last 3 years		
Referee 1		
Can we contact your references prior to making you an offer?		
Title *	lacksquare	
First name *		
Last name *		
Address		
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Email *		
Mobile		
Landline		
Employer *		
Position *		
Relationship *		

14. Goldsmiths is a Disability Symbol user, which means that with regards to recruitment, we commit to interview all disabled applicants who meet the minimum criteria for a job vacancy and consider them on their abilities. Further information can be found here.

Please complete the below screen with your information, letting us know if you are eligible and wish to apply under the scheme. Once complete, please click 'Save'.

'Two Ticks -Positive About Disabled People' Scheme
Goldsmiths welcomes applications from disabled people. The College operates the 'Two Ticks - Positive about Disabled People' scheme, which, as part of its commitment to disability equality, provides guaranteed interviews to disabled candidates (as defined by Equality Act 2010) that wish to apply under the scheme*.
In order to qualify for a guaranteed interview, disabled candidates must meet the minimum essential criteria for the role being applied for.
Do you wish to apply for this O Yes position under the 'Two Ticks - Positive about Disabled People' No scheme?
Do we need to make any Specific arrangements in order for you to attend an interview? No No No
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*For this purpose, disability is defined as any physical or mental impairment which has a substantial and long term adverse effect on your ability to carry out normal day to day activities. Long term means the effect of the impairment has lasted at least twelve months, is likely to last for twelve months or is likely to last for the rest of a person's life.
Are you satisfied that this section is complete?
Save Cancel

15. In the next screen, you are asked to submit your equality and diversity information using the drop down lists and check boxes. Goldsmiths is committed to equality and diversity, and therefore monitors all applications received. This will help ensure all applicants are treated fairly regardless of their gender, disability, religion or beliefs, sexual orientation, marital status, age, race, nationality, ethnic or national origins. The information you provide will be treated as strictly confidential and will be used only for equal opportunities monitoring purposes. This information will not be used at any stage of the selection process and will be handled on a confidential basis at all times.

When you are happy that the section is complete, check the tick box at the bottom and click 'Save'.

Equality and Diversity Together, we are different Goldsmiths is committed to providing a safe, welcoming, and inclusive environment for everyone. The data collected in this section allows us gain a more in depth understanding of our community so we can provide support for those who may need it. This data is kept separately from the rest of your application and is not viewed by staff involved in short-listing or selection decisions. If you do not wish to answer a question, please select 'prefer not to say' from the drop down menu. Thank you for completing this section and helping us make progress in Equality and Diversity! My gender is: * V Is your gender identity the **>** same as the gender you were originally assigned at birth * Nationality: * **<** I would describe my ethnic ~ group as: * My age band is: * **~** I would describe my sexual **<** orientation as: * I would describe my religion **~** and/or belief as: * Do you have an impairment, O Yes health condition or learning O No difference? * O Prefer not to Say If you answered yes to the above question, which of the below do you consider belongs to you? Are you satisfied that this section is complete? Save

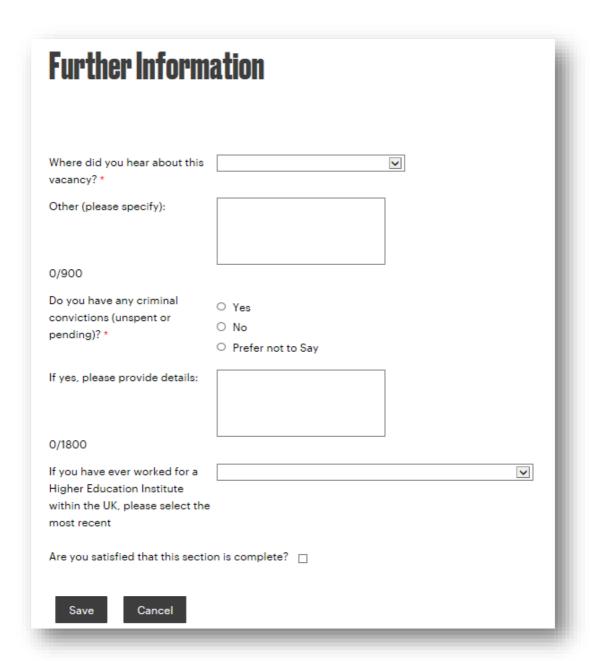
16. The next screen asks for additional information about you and your application.

Please indicate where you heard about the vacancy you are applying for, as this information is used by the HR team to monitor the effectiveness of methods for advertisement.

Please indicate if you have any criminal convictions. Having a criminal conviction will not necessarily prevent you from working for Goldsmiths; it will depend on the nature of the position you are applying for and the circumstances and background of the offence(s). For all positions we require that you declare any unspent convictions at the point of completing the application form, you will not be asked to provide details of your unspent conviction unless you are invited to interview. Some posts within the university require a DBS check, however this requirement will normally be detailed on the job advert and application form.

We would also like to know if you have worked at another Higher Education Institute within the UK so that we can collect your unique HESA number from them, should you be successfully appointed.

Once complete, tick the box to indicate you are satisfied that this section is complete before clicking on 'Save'.



17. Now that all of the sections of your application have been completed, you will see the summary screen below. If you have not completed any of the sections, or not ticked the box to say it is complete and clicked 'Save', the status will show as incomplete and you will need to finish this section before you are given the option to submit your application. You can edit any section by clicking into its heading on the left.

To see a pdf version of your application, for review or to print it, click on 'Preview application'.

Once you are happy with your application, click on 'Submit application'.

Please note that, once submitted, this application cannot be amended, so only submit it once you are sure that you have entered everything you wished to.

Application Progress

To get back to any section of your application, please click on the section links below:

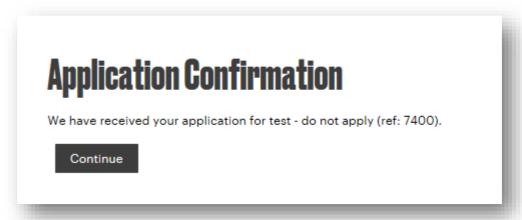
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Pre-Application Screening	Completed	17/12/2015 10:32
Personal Details	Completed	17/12/2015 10:50
Current Employer	Completed	17/12/2015 10:57
Secondary and Further Education History	pryCompleted	17/12/2015 11:00
Higher Education History	Completed	17/12/2015 11:01
Qualifications	Completed	17/12/2015 11:02
Professional Qualifications	Completed	17/12/2015 11:14
Employment History	Completed	17/12/2015 11:17
Essential Criteria	Completed	17/12/2015 11:20
Desirable Criteria	Completed	17/12/2015 11:21
Referee Contact details	Completed	17/12/2015 11:23
Positive About Disabled People	Completed	17/12/2015 11:23
Equality and Diversity	Completed	17/12/2015 11:25
Further Information	Completed	17/12/2015 11:26

Preview application

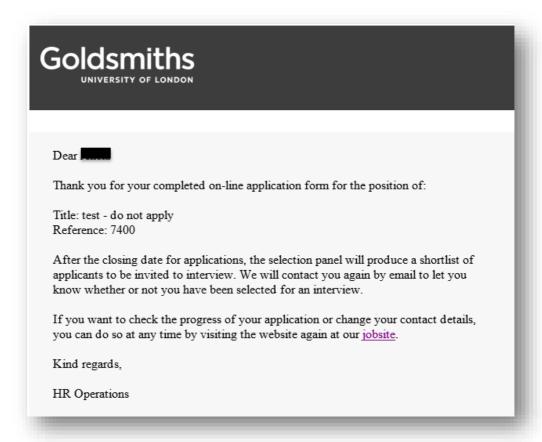
Your application has no errors and all sections have been completed. You may now submit this application. Please ensure that you are happy with all your answers.

Submit application

18. Once your application has been submitted, you will see the following screen. Click 'Continue'.



You will also receive an email containing the following text.



19. You can log into your account anytime to view the status of your application under the heading 'Stage'. To view your application in pdf format, simply click on the job title of the post.

Your Account

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Using the navigational panel on the left hand side, you can set up, review and update the information and preferences stored in our system. We would encourage you to regularly visit your candidate account to ensure that we have the most up to date information about you as we may contact you direct when vacancies that suit your skills and experience arise.

For your own privacy, when you have finished please ensure that you log off.

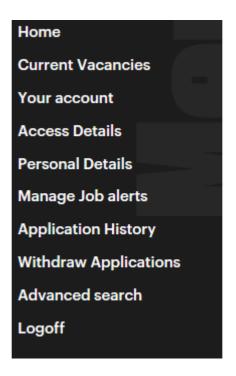
Overview of applications

 Job Title
 Reference
 Stage

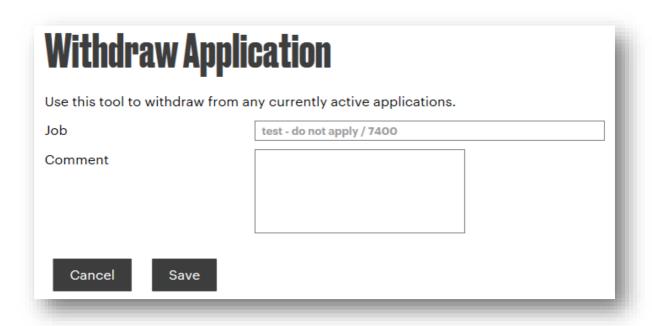
 test - do not apply
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 Job Application

Once the deadline passes and shortlisting is completed, you will receive an email letting you know whether or not you have been selected for interview. Please note that we are unable to provide feedback on applications which are not shortlisted for interview.

20. If you decide that you want to withdraw an application, log into your account and click the menu icon \equiv at the top right of the screen. And click 'Withdraw Applications' in the menu which appears, as below.



The below screen will appear and you should ensure the correct job is selected, then add any comments you have and click 'Save'.



You will then be returned to your application history screen and will see confirmation of the withdrawal, as below.



You will also receive the following confirmation email.



Dear A

We note your withdrawal from the job of test - do not apply (7400) and our records have been updated accordingly.

If in the future you would like to consider other opportunities with us, please do return to our website.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your interest and to wish you every success in the future.

Kind regards,

HR Operations

We wish you the best of luck with completing your application.

Alicia Nagar
HR Adviser (Research & Projects)
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