# **Motivation letter : template and guidance**

**Please include at least the below points in your motivation letter, as it will be used in the selection process.**

**You have to use calibri typeface, 12.**

 **The letter must be uploaded online during the application on the Amethis platform.**

**Access the application platform by clicking on the chosen subject, available here:** [**https://breath.univ-angers.fr/en/apply/phd-opportunities.html**](https://breath.univ-angers.fr/en/apply/phd-opportunities.html)

**For all candidates**

* General motivation for applying to the BREATH programme (1,5 page)
* Leadership potential (2 pages)

**Only for candidates choosing PhD’s topic offered in BREATH programme (2 pages max)**

* A scientific document describing the applicant’s research interests
* Explanation for choice of this proposed research project
* Planned career path

**Only for candidates proposing their own individual driven research project (3 pages max)**

* Research proposal containing title of the proposal and indication of the research topic;
* supervisors 1 and 2 (in one of our 3 partner universities)
* Planned career path

As soon as a supervisor is identified, the PC will establish contact with the candidate to help build the project.

* Specific motivation for the interdisciplinary aspects of the selected project

[ ]  **You are applying on one of the PhD’s topic.**

 **Title of the thesis project you apply for : …………………………………………………………………………………………………………**

[ ]  **You are offering your own topic**

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| **FOR ALL CANDIDATES** **(1,5 PAGE MAX)** |
| Explain your general motivation for applying to the BREATH programme  |
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| **ONLY FOR CANDIDATES CHOOSING PHD’S TOPIC OFFERED IN BREATH PROGRAMME** **(2 PAGES MAX)** |
| * A scientific document describing the applicant’s research interests
* Explain why did you choose this proposed research project and how this thesis align with your professionnal project
* Describe your planned career path (short and long-term career goals)
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| **ONLY FOR CANDIDATES PROPOSING THEIR OWN INDIVIDUAL DRIVEN RESEARCH PROJECT (3 PAGES MAX)** |
| * Research proposal containing title of the proposal and indication of the research topic;
* supervisors 1 and 2 (in one of our 3 partner universities)
* Planned career path
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# **Leadership potential**

**In order to to know more about your leadership potential, please answer the following questions**

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| **FOR ALL CANDIDATES** |
| * Please describe your international experience below (…/10) – 0,5 page max
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| * Please describe your planned partnership and collaborations below (.../10) 0,5 page max
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| * Please describe your ability to forge beyond disciplinary specialisms below (…/10) 0,5 page max
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| * Please describe your life skills (informal learning) below (…/10) 0,5 page max
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