

Who is eligible for a grant?

Am I eligible	Hersef 1 (junior)	Hersef 2 (teachers & lecturers)	Archibald Dawney	Sir Robert Blair
What age / nationality must I be?	14-18 years, any nationality	Not specified, normally 21 years+, any nationality	16 years or over, any nationality	21 years and over, British Citizens only
Where must I live now?	No restrictions	No restrictions	In inner London boroughs that were formerly part of London County Council	No restrictions
Where must I study now?	At FE schools or colleges in inner London boroughs that were formerly part of London County Council	Recipients working in schools, colleges or universities in inner London boroughs	At schools, colleges of further education approved by the Trustees	Open to all but preference given to those who have completed a course in an educational establishment in London or associated with the London Education service
What type of course can I take?	Full time courses / short courses / conferences (see below)	Staff on sabbatical leave may apply	Full-time students only	
What else must I provide?	Supply proof of financial need	Conference, course research in UK or overseas		Applications must pay their own interview expenses
Closing date for applications	Mid March	none, can apply anytime	Mid March	End of March year award
Purpose of award	To assist deserving student following special technical courses at secondary schools or colleges of further education	To assist with travel and attendance expenses for conferences or course in UK or overseas	To promote the study of civil engineering	A course of advanced study or research overseas that will further relationships between UK and other countries
Frequency of award	Annually	Annually	Annually	Every two - next for academic year
Length of award	Up to one academic year initially	None specified	One year	One year
Sum awarded	Currently up to £400	Recent awards have been up to £500. 33% of expenses when recipient is engaged in engineering or related fields, 20% of expenses for other recipients	Current awards range from £100-£400	Discretionary (current maximum at £12,000)
How is the claim made?	Short written account of studies since start of academic year, confirmation that student remains in full time study	Report on activities once they have been completed	Paid at the end of the activity. Short written account needed plus proof of expenditure	Full interim reports submitted with receipts for expenditure
Can I receive an award a second time?	Yes renewal is possible if you still meet the key conditions	Yes, after five years for awards related to engineering and after 10 years for non-engineering related grants	No	Possibly – at the discretion of the Trustees
Permitted study subjects and relevant qualifications (where appropriate)	Priority accorded to civil engineering and construction including – initial training course, BTEC First and National in construction, GNVQ construction and built environment, various NVQs in carpentry / joinery, bricklaying, plastering, painting and decorating, heating and ventilation etc. N.B. in exceptional cases the Trustees will consider applicants following other courses such as electrical and electronic engineering, general engineering, environmental studies, manufacturing, design technology	Preference given to applicants engaged in engineering and other allied fields. Any other subjects considered	Preference given to civil engineering or structural engineering as applied to, building, surveying, allied trades – e.g. BTEC construction and building studies, B. Eng. (Civil Eng.), M. Eng. (Civil Eng.), MSc concrete studies	Engineering science, applied science or technology
How is the award publicised to students?	Advertised on the internet, letters sent to schools and colleges	Floodlight – periodic mailings to schools, colleges and universities	Advertisement in internet, letters to schools, universities and student award officers of inner London boroughs	By advertisement from six months before the close date, internet, Times Higher Education Supplement, engineering and applied science journals, mailings to universities and higher education institutions
What is the selection procedure	Complete simple application form, supply proof of financial need, proof of income and / or expenditure, supporting statement from head of the school/college, Trustees review applications	Submit completed application form, supporting letter from employer stating that the activity is part of applicant's professional development	Complete simple application form, supply proof of income and / or expenditure, supporting statement from school / college	Submit completed application forms, three referees directly connected with the applicant's training or employment, shortlist by panel of experts from fields of science and technology, interview panel for shortlisted candidates
How soon is the decision made?	At a meeting of the Trustees held 10 weeks after the application close	Within two months of application	At a meeting of the Trustees held 10 weeks after application close	After completion of interviews that usually take place at the end of April