



BURSARIES FOR UNDERGRADUATE ELECTIVE OR VACATION STUDIES

The Pathological Society of Great Britain and Ireland is offering a number of bursaries to undergraduate students of medicine, veterinary medicine, dentistry or biomedical science to enable them to work for elective or vacation periods in departments of pathology in universities, medical schools, NHS laboratories or research institutes in the United Kingdom or overseas. Proposals for work on research projects in any branch of pathology or the acquisition of experience in diagnostic departments are eligible for consideration. These funds are not meant to support routine course elements, such as student selected modules in the applicant's own school. Applications for placements in other departments, with only limited exposure to pathology, will not be considered.

Such work should normally be sponsored by an Ordinary Member of the Society.

The bursary will be up to **£220.00** per week, inclusive of expenses, for a maximum of **8 weeks**.

There are 2 deadlines each year **27 February and 28 April**

The terms and conditions of the Undergraduate Elective or Vacation Studies Grant Scheme are as follows:

1. Applicants must be members of the Society based in UK and/or Ireland
2. Retrospective applications will not be accepted.
3. Projects cannot be supervised by first degree relatives.
4. A certificate of attendance and a report of between 1000 and 2000 words must be sent to the Deputy Administrator within 3 months of completion of the elective. Please note: reports should be reflective rather than descriptive with demonstration of the value of the elective.
5. The Society cannot be held responsible should the candidate sustain an injury or illness during the period for which funding has been awarded.
6. The Society will normally withdraw funding if the grant is not acknowledged and accepted within 6 months of the offer

Unsuccessful applications of sufficient merit will be automatically reconsidered at each subsequent deadline BEFORE project commencement: early application is therefore encouraged

Bursary Prize

Additionally, the Society offers two prizes of **£200.00** to the bursary holders who submit what are judged to be the best reports in any calendar year. There will be one prize for the best report on a research project, and one prize for an attachment that offers clinical experience, without a research element: on submission, the student should endorse the submission as "research" or "clinical". In particular, the prize adjudicators will be interested in the student's justification for seeking the attachment, their description of the breadth and

depth of activity they've undertaken, and of the insights and personal development gained. Style and clarity will also be taken into account. Those who have undertaken a research project should also describe the project outcome, with an emphasis on their personal role.

The prize-winning candidates will be announced in the following calendar year. The winner of the bursary prize for research will be invited to present his/her work at either the winter or summer meetings of the Society; the winner of the bursary prize for clinical experience will be invited to attend either the winter or summer meetings of the Society. Expenses for travel and accommodation will be paid by the Society.

Please note: The Pathological Society is a registered charity which is not in a position to provide full economic costs or overheads with regard to any funds awarded.