

Grant Terms and Conditions

The Be the Change Sustainability Grant aims to support student led projects to explore and compliment the new ways in which we can make our campus sustainable. The grant is available throughout the year and is intended to fund short-term projects over the specific period to start a new activity or support the already existing ones.

Projects must be student-led; however, teams can engage with the university staff, schools and departments. Engagement with external stakeholders, including Bristol's citizens, is welcome, given they can provide clear outcomes for the University of Bristol. Regardless of their degree status (undergraduate, postgraduate, research) or tuition fee status (home and international), all students are eligible to apply.

Selection criteria

All projects must demonstrate that they impact (directly or indirectly) the understanding of climate change. Projects that have the capacity to reach lots of people or have transformative potential (long-term impact) will be favoured.

We are looking for curious and experimental ideas that connect with our Be the Change campaign, departmental Climate Action Plans, Sustainability Policy or support some of the 12 Sustainable Development Goals.

This grant will not provide funds to attend conferences or cover travel expenses.

Guidelines

1. The fund will provide grants of up to £1000. We will consider larger grants in exceptional circumstances, or for the projects with larger reach or impact.
2. Students can apply individually, however group applications are recommended with the project lead identified. There are no minimum experience requirements.
3. The applicant(s) need to submit the application form and answer all questions, including:
 - A summary of the project,
 - The project outputs,
 - The benefits of the project (including the target project beneficiaries),
 - The project cost breakdown,
 - The project schedule.
4. The responsibilities of the successful applicants will be:
 - Lead the activity on implementing the plans set out in the project proposal.
 - Disseminate and include the evidence of the project outputs after the project completion.
 - Work with the Sustainability Digital Communications Assistant to create promotional content.

Funding

1. Successful applications agree to use the grant for the purpose outlined and agreed in the proposal.
2. The grant must be spent before the end of the financial year (31 July) for which it was awarded. Any allocated grant not spent within the timeframe will be withdrawn as it cannot be transferred across financial years.
3. Money from the grant cannot be used for covering travel expenses or attending a conference.

Declaration

Applicants declare that the grant proposal is based on their idea and that they are solely responsible for any intellectual property violations that may arise due to not seeking permission from intellectual property holders whose ideas were used in this project.

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