The Douglas Bomford Trust

Level of Study: Any Postgraduate

Subject area: Engineering and Physical Sciences, Life and Environmental Sciences

Nationality: EU, UK

Type of Award: Charity/Trust

Deadline for applying: 01/03/2015

Award Description

The overall objective of the Trust is to advance knowledge, understanding, practice, competence and capability in the application of engineering and physical science to agriculture, horticulture, forestry, amenity and allied land based and biological activities for the sustainable benefit of the environment and mankind.

The Trust provides funding to enable competent individuals and organisations to pursue:

- Education, training, research and knowledge transfer.
- Innovation and the application of science and technology with respect to the design, development, evaluation and construction of machines, systems and techniques.
- Travel to acquire or disseminate knowledge.
- The development and maintenance of professional competencies.
- The development or acquisition of new skills, techniques and capabilities.

Value of Award

£1,500

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible, individuals must:

- Demonstrate a long-term commitment to the areas of concern to the Trust
- Demonstrate that all appropriate sources of funding are being pursued
- Indicate the benefits or outcomes that Trust funding will achieve both personally, and towards the overall objectives of the Trust
- Demonstrate the ability and intention to achieve those outcomes
- Have some connection with the United Kingdom through nationality, residency, or place of learning/registration.

How to Apply

Applications for postgraduate funding over £1500 should state clearly but briefly:

1. The purpose of the case for which funding is required.
2. The expected outcomes/benefits that will arise from the 'project' in terms of both personal, if appropriate, and the Trust's objectives.
3. How the 'project' will be carried out.
4. The key resource requirements (expertise and facilities).
5. An outline budget (identifying as appropriate items such as: course fees, stipend/living/travel, materials, contribution to o/heads, staff costs, other costs e.g hire charges, specialist fees, laboratory charges) indicating the level of funding that has been obtained/applied for from other sources.
6. The main risks.
7. Other individuals/organisations involved as collaborators, funders etc.
8. Details of the 'parent' organisation or institution and, where appropriate, the project supervisor.

An application form is available via the Trust's website: **http://www.dbt.org.uk/postgraduatefunding (http://www.dbt.org.uk/postgraduatefunding)**

In the case of individual applicants a brief CV should also be provided.

Applications should be submitted to

enquiries@dbt.org.uk (mailto:enquiries@dbt.org.uk?subject=Post%20Graduate%20Research%20Funding%20Application)

- There are two closing dates for submissions - 1st March and 1st October each year.
- An assessment panel, appointed by the Trustees evaluates the applications.
- Applicants are informed of the outcome before end of May/November.
- Trustees appoint a mentor for each successful case.
- A "gateway project management" process is agreed with the Trust mentor providing the basis for approval and payment criteria.

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