

Grants and bursaries

General Funding (Undergraduate and Postgraduate)

[Wellcome Trust Biomedical Vacation Scholarships](#)

These awards provide promising undergraduates with hands-on experience of research during the summer vacation, with the aim of encouraging them to consider a career in research. Scholarship holders in the past have included students of biological sciences (including biology, sports science and pharmacy) and medics, vets, dentists and optometrists. Students focusing on natural sciences or computing degrees are welcome to use this scheme as a taster for research in the biomedical sciences; however, a suitably focused biomedical research report project.

[British Veterinary Zoological Society: Zebra Foundation](#)

The Zebra Foundation wants to help veterinary surgeons and students extend their knowledge of zoological medicine providing the applicant undertakes a written project during this time. Grants are awarded according to merit and range in the order of £100-£1000. Applications are considered twice a year in December and June.

[Royal Army Veterinary Corps \(British Army\)](#)

The Army offers a bursary to potential Veterinary Officers in the Royal Army Veterinary Corps to help them through their studies at university and during their Professional Development Phase. The bursary offer consists of a series of lump sum payments of £5,000 per year in each of the last three years of under graduate study at university and then for up to two years post-registration civilian employment. The bursary is in addition to the salary received during the civilian employment period. During this period of civilian employment the potential Veterinary Officer is expected to complete their Professional Development Phase as required by the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons. This is then followed by a final lump sum payment of £45K when officer training at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst (RMAS) is completed. The maximum amount payable to a bursar is therefore up to £70,000. The initial commitment to the Army will be for four years service in return for the bursary. Candidates will need to pass the Army Officer Selection Board and an Arms Selection Board in order to be considered for the bursary.

For further details please contact the Royal Army Veterinary Corps: **Maj M Thompson MBE RAVC**
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Gilchrist Education Trust Grants

Applications are considered from students who have made proper provision to fund a degree or higher education course but find themselves facing unexpected financial difficulties which may prevent completion of it; also from students who are required, as part of their course, to spend a short period studying abroad. Applicants must be full-time students at a British University

The Diggler's Charitable Trust Bursaries

A bursary scheme to assist second degree students at vet school

The Leatherseller's Company

Educational grants of up to £4000 per annum are given to exceptional students of full-time degrees at a UK university, who are in financial need.

The Sir Richard Stapley Educational Trust

The Trust funds students pursuing degrees in medicine, dentistry and veterinary studies and postgraduate degree students from all fields of study. Applications are welcome from students beginning their first year of study, as well as from those already embarked on their degree course. Grants are normally from £300 to £1000 in value. They are intended to cover the shortfall incurred by educational and subsistence expenses upon payment of tuition fees.

UFAW Animal Welfare Student Scholarship

Applications are welcome from individuals studying at universities or colleges in the British Isles or an overseas institution at which there is a UFAW University Link. Students will usually be undertaking courses in the agricultural, biological, psychological, veterinary or zoological sciences. Student Scholarships consist of £170 per week subsistence allowance for the Scholar plus £30 per week to the department for project expenses. Support is provided for up to 8 weeks, although projects themselves may be longer than this.

George Drexler Foundation

Awards grants for costs associated with undergraduate and postgraduate courses, particularly those students in medical education.

Sidney Perry Foundation

Funding for those who would otherwise be unable to proceed with their studies

*** you may also consider approaching your local authority as some have funding programmes in place to support undergraduates ***

Research Project Funding/PhD

Petsavers: Master's Degree by Research (MDR)

MDR will fund a postgraduate student to work full time on a specific research project, with or without attendance at some short courses (e.g. statistics, thesis presentation). At least one co-applicant must have a veterinary degree and be registered with the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons.

Wellcome Trust

Research can be based in the laboratory, the clinic or the field, and may involve experimental or theoretical approaches. We fund the best researchers with the most innovative and exciting ideas in the form of personal and research support, collaborations and support for symposia, conferences and workshops. A significant proportion of our funding is devoted to support those working overseas.

The BEMB Research and Education Trust

In financing PhD students for the period of their project the Trust's aim is to act as a catalyst in providing good young poultry scientists for the future. Funding offered by the Trust is in line with BBSRC guidelines, plus £1,000 to cover special items and £250 when a bound copy of the thesis has been received

The Moredun Foundation

The Moredun Foundation supports scholarships each year to provide an opportunity for individuals to pursue a short term project to broaden their education and experience in areas relating to livestock health and welfare and the agricultural industry. Up to three awards of up to £1,000 each will be made per year.

Women specific

Soroptimist International Diamond Education Grant

To provide grants to assist women to update their skills after employment breaks or to acquire new skills to improve their opportunities for employment and promotion. Awards are made to help towards the cost of course fees or books/equipment, not for living expenses

Industrial and summer placements

[Society of Biology](#) provides a listing