

British Science Festival

Student Bursaries



Information for students

The British Science Festival is one of Europe's largest annual public science events bringing you the latest science, technology and engineering with over 250 events, activities, exhibitions and trips taking place over the week. The British Science Festival is unique among science festivals in the UK as it moves around the country and in the last few years has taken place in Liverpool, Birmingham, Bradford and Aberdeen.

This year the Festival will take place in Birmingham from 6 - 11 September, in partnership with the University of Birmingham with events taking place on campus and throughout the city. The programme of events offers something for everyone with activities for families and schools groups, adults looking for entertainment and stimulating debate for professionals interested in the latest research.

Students aged over 18 have the opportunity to be sponsored to experience the Festival's full week of activities through the Festival bursary scheme. It is an outstanding opportunity for students to broaden their horizons, meet leading scientists and speakers, engage in debate and discussion about the impact of science in society, meet potential new employers from the top science and technology companies and enjoy the atmosphere of an event that is extensively covered in the media.

About the bursary:

The British Science Association offers institutions and companies the opportunity to buy bursary packages, these organisations then choose the students they want to attend the Festival. The British Science Association does not sponsor students itself. If you wish to attend the Festival on this scheme you must find a sponsor. Please contact the university you are studying at to find out if they are willing to sponsor you.

Once you have a sponsor the British Science Association will offer information and support for you on this scheme. We will provide:

- Accommodation for 7 nights (Friday 5th – Thursday 11th September 2014).
- Student social, usually held on the first night, this is the opportunity for students from different universities to get to know each other.
- Meals will be provided for the week (mainly as food vouchers to be redeemed on campus).
- Free tickets to a selection of pay for events. These will differ for each student.
- Opportunities to get involved with other Festival activities including press office, science communication experience and competition judging.

Please note the bursary does not cover travel expenses for students.

For any questions or further information about the student bursary scheme please contact Elizabeth Baxter at elizabeth.baxter@britishscienceassociation.org T: +44 (0)20 7019 4951