

Royal Society of Chemistry Technician Skills Development Grant Terms and Conditions

Application

These terms and conditions apply to applications made and grants awarded in respect of the Royal Society of Chemistry Technician Skills Development Grant.

Scope and Duration

There are several options that can be applied for:

- x One-off visit (up to 3 months) outside current country of residence (Up to £5000*)
- x Multiple visits to the same organisation (of up to 3 months each over 2 years) outside current country of residence (Up to £7000*)
- x Multiple visits to the same organisation (of up to 3 months each over 2 years) within current country of residence (Up to £6000*)
- x One-off visit (up to 3 months) within current country of residence (Up to £3000*)

* Our grants will contribute towards return travel to the host organisation, accommodation and subsistence during the visit. Grant money may be used for visas if required, but not to cover costs of obtaining or renewing a passport or travel insurance.

Applicants should specify on their application form the option applied for. The award of any Grant, regardless of the option specified by the applicant on the application form is at the complete discretion of the Royal Society of Chemistry.

Eligibility and application requirements

1. Applicants must (at the time of application) be employed as a chemical science technician or apprentice technician. They must hold either a fixed-term or permanent contract.
2. For the purpose of these terms and conditions:
 - a) Anyone with the word 'technician' in their job title
 - b) OR anyone currently undertaking an apprenticeship
 - c) OR anyone holding the Registered Science Technician designation
 - d) OR anyone who can demonstrate the necessary skills and experience that meets but does not signify

[the competency requirements for Registered Science Technician status](#). In this instance evidence of eligibility will be provided in the form of a detailed CV and in some circumstances the RSC may request further detail of the applicant's role and day to day duties from the applicant and / or their line manager.

3. Applicants who are registered as a student alongside working as a technician are not eligible to apply to the RSC Technician Skills Development Grant, except if undertaking an apprenticeship.
4. Applicants must be RSC members.

5. Applicants must provide an up to date CV and letter of support from their line manager, and include this as part of the application.
6. Applicants must provide a letter from the p.3 (f)-oeonhfetfusatie910.5 6-2.1 (i)2ng.9 ()11.2 (t)-6.a.2 (t)4

representative from the organisation with the authority to authorise the visit, for instance a Head of Department, and co-signed by the primary supervisor who will host the applicant.

19. The Working Group has oversight of the awarding process and will seek clarification or further information relating to decisions if they deem it to be necessary.
20. If an application is unsuccessful, the applicant may not reapply for the Grant for one year, unless they are explicitly invited to do so by the Working Group.

Successful grant applications

21. Grants must be used solely for the purposes set out in the application, approved by the RSC.
22. The awarded funds will be paid in a single payment by BACS to the successful applicant. Payments will be made in GBP.
23. Where necessary, recipients will be expected to make their own visa arrangements for travel to the host organisation (the RSC may be able to provide general guidance in certain circumstances). Similarly, recipients will be expected to make their own travel and accommodation arrangements, in liaison with their host organisation as appropriate.
24. No paid work (in addition to that within the contract with their home organisation) may be undertaken by a recipient during the tenure of a visit without the specific permission of the RSC.
25. Should there be exceptional circumstances, wherever possible the RSC will allow a

