

## DISTINGUISHED GEOLOGISTS MEMORIAL TRUST BURSARIES

### GUIDELINES FOR APPLICANTS

#### *Allowable expenses*

- Travel and subsistence
- Local travel costs
- Specimen shipping costs
- Laboratory expenses
- Conference attendance/field trip expenses

#### *Please also note that:*

- All applicants must be Fellows of the Society and be working towards achieving (or may just have achieved) chartership.

#### Application Form

- All applications must be submitted on the downloadable form
- The project description may not exceed two A4 pages of typescript and must be in a font size of 10 or larger.
- The project must have a clear title
- The role of the applicant is to be stated if the application is part of a broader project.
- Attach bibliography/list of references separately identifying up to 6 relevant publications. Give breakdown of expenses sought
- State any previous awards from GSL
- State sources of additional funds already obtained and applications pending
- State that all necessary permissions have been obtained.
- As appropriate, confirm that a risk assessment has been, or will be, carried out as any fieldwork may only proceed once it has been approved. This is particularly important when an application is for funding to work in/visit a remote area.

#### Letters of support

The application **must be accompanied** by two letters of support. One from a chartered Fellow of the Society and one from your employer/line manager. These letters must include:

- In what role the referee knows the applicant and for how long

- The stage at which the applicant is in their career with regard to chartership
- Information on the proposed project – how does it relate to applicant's development and their employment
- Assessment of the value of the project to the applicant and their ability to undertake the project

Requirements for successful applicants

- A report must be produced, either interim or full, by the end of the calendar year in which the grant is made. There is no specific format but the preferred style is more a piece of geosciences journalism than a learned paper. It must be no more than three pages clearly identifying what has been achieved, i.e. the results, rather than accounting in a financial sense on how the money was spent. Failure to produce a report will make future applications ineligible.
- Successful applicants may be asked to write a piece for the Society's magazine *Geoscientist*.