

# 2021 Student Research Bursary

For small-scale research into work based and placement learning



We are pleased to announce our **2021 Student Research Bursary**, inviting proposals from colleagues to fund a current student or recent graduate to carry out a clearly defined piece of small-scale research designed to grow the body of research into work based and placement learning. The work must be feasible within the timescales but may be used to fund a feasibility study, or early part of a larger project. To ensure successful completion of the project, ASET will only consider applications for projects that could be undertaken **ONLINE**.

Suitable research projects might be:

- A literature review or other desk based research
- Small scale data gathering and analysis through questionnaires or interviews
- Applying a methodology used elsewhere to a new context

Previous projects have looked at; the impact term time work has on student academic attainment, the challenges of centralising placement support, exploring placements in safety critical industries, effectiveness of peer support provided by post-placement students to those seeking placements and research into the impact of placements on PhD students returning to their research.

## The bursary details:

1. We will provide the student with a bursary of **£2400** to work on the project, which should be **40 days/300 hours of work**
2. The supervisor must oversee the project, final report and poster, directly supervising the student for a minimum of 200 hours/26 days
3. The student should be hosted in an appropriate department of their institution, and will be reviewed during the project by a member of the ASET Executive
4. The supervisor must attend the ASET conference with the student to present the work as a paper and to provide a poster summarising the Bursary outcomes
5. Upon successful submission of the final report, **£600** will be awarded to your institution as a contribution towards expenses incurred in attending conference
6. Proposals can only be considered from those institutions which are members of ASET for 2021, and if successful you must recruit a current undergraduate from your own institution

## Project Proposals

- Proposals should be a maximum of 1500 words and must clearly indicate:
- Why the research is important and the broad objectives
- The methodology and approach to be taken along with consideration of any ethical approval required
- A clear plan of activity including timescales
- The student's role, including details of how their own learning objectives will be set and included
- The supervisor's role in the project, and their research expertise, evidenced by role held within their organisation, experience, qualifications and/or publications
- Agreement of support from an appropriate senior manager
- Why the research might be relevant to the wider sector

## How to apply

1. Full details of how to submit a project proposal for an ASET bursary are available on the ASET website [www.asetonline.org/research/aset-research-projects/](http://www.asetonline.org/research/aset-research-projects/)
2. Applications will only be accepted via the online [2021 ASET Bursary application form](#)
3. Applications must reach the ASET office via email [aset@asetonline.org](mailto:aset@asetonline.org) by the **deadline 26th February 2021 9am**

