



The Worshipful Company of Educators



The Educators' Trust

THE EDUCATORS' TRUST FRANKLIN GRANTS FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Description and Conditions of Entry.

The Educators' Trust of the Workshipful Company of Educators is offering a small number of **Franklin Grants for Professional Development** for the year 2025/6. Applications are invited from educators **with at least 3 years' recent working experience and who are resident in the United Kingdom** who wish to broaden their professional skills. Franklin Grants, named after the Founding Master of the Worshipful Company of Educators, the late Professor Raoul Franklin CBE, are intended to provide short-duration assistance to practitioners in order to broaden their professional skills by undertaking activities which increase their effectiveness and proficiency and contribute to education more generally.

The deadline for the receipt of applications is **31 MAY 2025**. Applicants will be notified of the outcome by the end of **JUNE 2025**.

HOW TO ENTER.

- 1) Applicants should complete and submit the grant application form which can be downloaded from educatorstrust.org.uk/Franklin. Applicants can come from any sector of education and training, from early years to lifelong learning, including those who are employed full-time, part-time or are self-employed.
- 2) The application form invites a proposal for an activity which enables the applicant to enhance their professional skills and experience. This should **be no more than 500 words**; expand the space in the application form if necessary.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT.

- 3) Priority will be given to proposals which address issues arising from the developing educational environment such as, for example, the effective use of new methods in teaching and learning or improvements in the management of education. Other proposals will also be considered, such as attendance at approved short courses, both face-to-face or on-line, that offer continuing professional development opportunities. Support for presenting papers, demonstrations or performance at conferences, symposia or studio workshops will be considered, but attendance alone may not.
- 4) Grants of **up to £1000** will be available and applicants must give details on their application form of how this will be spent. Course fees or other expenditure associated with an activity are eligible but not claims for loss of income. The grant will be paid directly to the applicant at the beginning of the project period. In the case of attendance at courses, please apply well in advance of scheduled tuition.

- 5) Successful applicants will be expected to undertake and complete their activity within six months of receiving their grant and by no later than **28 FEBRUARY 2026**. They will also be expected to provide evidence of expenditure and **a short report of up to 500 words on this activity**, with accompanying documentation, such as certificates of attendance or completion, where relevant and available.
- 6) All applications for grants will be considered by a panel drawn from the Educators Trust. If more applications are received than can be met from the money available, the panel members will exercise their collective professional judgement in deciding the precise allocation of individual grants. All decisions will be final and not open to discussion.
- 7) Only one grant will be given to any individual within a particular round of awards but applicants may submit proposals on future occasions, whether they have been successful or not

Inquiries and entries should be sent to the Chair of the Awards Panel at
grants@educatorstrust.org.uk