



The Worshipful Company of Educators



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## Franklin Grants for Professional Development

### Description and Conditions of Entry.

The Educators' Trust, is offering a small number of **Franklin Grants for Professional Development** for the year 2024. These grants are named after the Foundation Master of the Worshipful Company of Educators, the late Professor Raoul Franklin CBE FREng, who generously bequeathed a legacy that enables the Trust to increase the number and value of professional development grants which were inaugurated in 2022.

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. These grants are intended to provide short-duration assistance to practitioners to undertake activities that increase their effectiveness and proficiency and contribute to education more generally.

The deadline for the receipt of applications is **30 April 2024**. Applicants will be notified of the outcome by end of **May 2024**.

### How to apply

- 1) Applicants should complete and submit the grant application form which can be downloaded from <https://educatorstrust.org.uk/the-educators-trust-franklin-grants.html> 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. Grants are intended for the use of the individual applicant and will not be available to sponsor activities by others.
- 2) The application form invites a proposal for an activity that enables the applicant to enhance their professional skills and experience. This should **be no more than 500 words**.

### What happens next

- 1) 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.
- 2) 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.

- 3) 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 2025**. 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.
- 4) 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.
- 5) Only one grant will be given to any individual. However, failure to obtain a grant on one occasion does not preclude future applications.

Inquiries and entries should be sent to the Chair of the Grants Panel, by **30 April 2024** at [grants@educatorstrust.org.uk](mailto:grants@educatorstrust.org.uk)

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