

Social Workers' Educational Trust

www.socialworkerseducationaltrust.org.uk

The Trust was established in 1972 by the British Association of Social Workers. It manages funds which are used to:

- assist qualified social workers to develop their knowledge and skill
- encourage research into social work practice and education
- educate the public in the nature of social work

Grants

The Trust has limited funds, gained mostly from an annual subscription from BASW, and therefore provides only small Grants (usually in the range of £100 - £500) to experienced qualified social workers who are undertaking further professional study or research. Details relating to grants can be found at:

www.basw.co.uk/financial-support/social-workers-educational-trust/ and <http://socialworkerseducationaltrust.org.uk/grants/>

Scholarships

In addition, competitive Scholarships are awarded each year; for instance the Anne Cummins Scholarship for health related social work research. Details relating to scholarships can be found at:

www.basw.co.uk/financial-support/social-workers-educational-trust/scholarships/ and <http://socialworkerseducationaltrust.org.uk/scholarships/>

Applications for scholarships should **NOT** be made using the grants form

The Trust **CANNOT** assist with funding for initial qualifying courses in social work. Enquiries for these can be addressed to the appropriate Social Care Council for your locality.

The Social Workers Educational Trust complaints policy and procedure can be found at:

www.basw.co.uk/financial-support/social-workers-educational-trust/ and <http://socialworkerseducationaltrust.org.uk/grants/>



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Please read the following Guidelines carefully before completing the Form

- ALL sections of the Application Form must be completed. Failure to do so will affect the Trustees' ability to consider the application and may result in delay while the form is returned to the applicant.
- Applicants should be qualified social workers who have completed at least two years of post-qualifying social work practice, working or intending to work in the U.K. BASW membership will be taken into account.
- Assistance with training courses or projects that will develop the applicant's social work practice in the U.K. can be considered. Details of the course/training should be included with the Application Form - usually a brief course description issued by the provider. Applicants should include whether the course/training is towards the Post Qualifying or Advanced Award in Social Work.
- The sum requested from the Trust can be used for fees or expenses incurred (e.g. travel; presentation of dissertation; books etc.). Grants cannot be awarded retrospectively.
- Where the total sum needed is higher than that requested from the Trust, an indication of ability to meet the balance of the fees/costs from other sources, including employers, **MUST** be given.
- Grants for courses of more than 1 year's duration are made on an annual basis, and their continuation depends on the grantee's successful completion of the year's training, and the level of Trust funds.
- Application may be made at any time of the year, and will be considered at the next meeting of the Trustees. These normally occur in February, June and October. Please allow time for mailing out to Trustees.
- The Trustees expect that successful applicants will inform the Trust on completion of their course/project and give some feedback of the benefits gained.
- No further grant application will be considered within 3 years of the completion of a supported training course or project.

Further information can be gained from the website or from:

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