# Grant Funding Applications

Societies Council Meeting – DATE

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| Student Group Name | History Society |
| Reason for Applying | In order to help fund attending the Annual History Conference with a group of our members. We have a group of 14 of us (All members of the University of Leicester's History Society) travelling together via coach from Leicester to Bristol (via 1 changeover in Birmingham) on the Friday night and the same on the return journey to Leicester on the Sunday. This journey is calculated as 134 miles each way (268 total) and as we are having to travel such a distance the night before the event, we also require 2 nights of accommodation for all 14 of us in order to participate in both days of the conference. We did look into travelling on the day in order to reduce costs however the journey takes over 5 hours on the night before, and would take longer if travelling on the day as there was very little transport and we would have to travel in and out of London through multiple connections (which would also require us to leave Leicester between 2am-4am in the morning on the day of the conference). Additionally, we did a comparison of costs for travelling the night before and the morning of, and found the latter would save £3.75 but did have us attempting to travel with 14 of us for multiple hours of the night to get there, so was not logistically viable. |
| How will this funding support your Inclusion and Liberation goals? | This conference is an equal opportunity for all students to learn about both the history sector and the opportunities within, and allows them to further themselves and their futures. There were industry professionals there with internships specifically geared towards students studying history. Attending this conference could help kickstart our members' careers in the history sector. |
| What will you use the funding for and how will this develop your group further? | This funding will be used for travel and accommodation for this trip, and is both a social trip (which our society does annually and one of our main events of the year) which allows our members to view other universities they may wish to attend for post-grad opportunities, and additionally is a chance for all attendees to improve their future prospects for their life in the history sector.  |
| Links towards items that require Grant Funding (if applicable) | <https://ausdenclark.co.uk/><https://www.travelodge.co.uk/>(please note this links are used for illustration purposes) |
| What date will funding be needed by? | 27/10/25 |
| When will funding by used by? | 31/10/25 |
| If purchasing equipment, where will it be stored? | Not applicable |
| Total Cost | To arrive at the conference in Bristol (**120 miles**) before **8am** on Saturday the 8th November we had two options:* Travel day of event by **train** (there were no coaches at this time), and stay **one night** in a hotel. This would have been very difficult logistically and required leaving Leicester before 4 am.
* Travel the night before via **coach** (we chose coaches because they were a fifth the cost of the trains), and stay in a hotel for **two nights**.

Please see below an excerpt from our costs spreadsheet where we summarise the two options.As you can see, there was a **£3.75** difference between the twoWe chose the second option for logistical ease (though it did still require us to spend a total of seven hours on a coach over the whole weekend), and for the negligible price difference. |
| Amount Requested | £918.87 |
| Amount in Account | £374 |
| Membership Price | £3 |
| Society Contributions (if not why) | £274 – this is money that we have generated from our memberships and from our recent bake sale to raise money for attending the conference.  |
| Will Grant Funding be used to benefit individuals that are not students of the University of Leicester? If yes, how much of funding will be used towards this? | No |
| Will Grant Funding be donated to charity or put towards a charitable initiative? | No |
| Will Grant Funding be used to pay for Alcohol? If yes, how much funding will be used towards this? | No |
| Will Grant Funding be used to pay for an event that is solely for committee members? | No |
| Will Grant Funding be used to pay for an individual member's affiliation to governing bodies, associations, or groups? | No |
| Will Grant Funding be used to pay for one-off promotional materials (i.e. flyers, pens, key rings)? | No |
| Will Grant Funding be used to pay for a website for your student group? | No |
| Will you be collaborating with any other clubs or societies? | No |
| How many students do you believe will be positively impacted by this activity/equipment/event? | There are 15 participants to this trip who will be travelling with us. |
| If your application is successful, we will need an update on how things went for you. When can we expect to receive this from you? | When the event has finished so we will send an update on Monday 10th November.  |
| If you have any supporting files you would like to attach, please do so below: | Not applicable. |
| If you have any additional information or supporting comments you would like to provide, please do so below: | Not applicable.  |
| Comments by Societies Council meeting | This application explores all the options before coming to final conclusion. The application clearly but concisely stated what they need the grant funding for. The application also gave a clear breakdown of the costs. The student group has made efforts to raise funds for this event and the event will benefit University of Leicester students.  |