

Lhasa Limited Student Bursaries: 2011 Bursary

Connecting structure to function: from experiment to calculation and back again
Hosted by Molecular Graphics and Modelling Society (MGMS) and University of Cambridge
19th – 21st September 2011

A bursary is a monetary award made by an institution to an individual or a group to assist the development of their education. To fulfil its charitable objectives, Lhasa Limited offers bursaries to students studying for chemistry and life science related qualifications. The 2011 bursary is to assist 3 students in attending the MGMS and University of Cambridge conference, 'Connecting structure to function: from experiment to calculation and back again'.

1. Funding Provision

Individual bursaries cover the cover the cost of registration, accommodation and up to £250 towards the cost of travel. Accommodation will be booked by Lhasa Limited on behalf of successful applicants. Travel costs must be estimated on the application form, (details below.) Bursaries do not cover subsistence costs such as meals.

In return for the bursary we require recipients to provide a formal review on the event and its value. (minimum 500 words) This must be submitted within three weeks of the event. Feedback is valuable as it will help us to understand how students can gain the most benefit from attending events.

Your report should focus upon the relevance of the event to your work and how it supported your general learning about the topics covered, research trends and ideas. Ideas are outlined below.

- Describe the presentations and posters you found most interesting at the meeting and explain why you found them compelling. Outline how these were interesting from the perspective of your particular work/studies and/or in a slightly wider context.
- Describe a research trend that became apparent through attending the event. Explain what it was and how it is supported.
- Describe a new topic that has emerged recently in the arena of toxicity prediction, giving details of presentations and posters featured at the event that focused upon this topic.

Please note that reports should not centre upon issues relating to event organisation, venue, program and so forth.

2. Eligibility Criteria

Applicants satisfying the following criteria will be considered for a bursary award.

- Bursaries will be considered for those travelling a minimum of 100 miles/160 kilometres from their place of residence to attend the event.

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- Students studying full-time for a chemistry or life science related qualification may apply for funding. (Under-graduate and post-graduate students may apply.)
- The bursary may be available to academics working in a relevant field if they cannot claim for the cost of attendance from their institution or funding body.
- The bursary is not available to representatives of private sector organisations, public authorities or representatives of the media.
- Funding is provided at the discretion of Lhasa Limited.

3. Application Process

In order to apply for a bursary please follow the instructions given on the MGMS conference website, applying to the MGMS direct.

You must provide a realistic estimate of travel costs and explain why the event is relevant to you or your current work. Please bear in mind that we expect applicants to be as economical as possible and that unrealistic applications will be rejected.

4. Selection Process

Candidates will be selected based on their eligibility, justification provided on the form and the travel cost estimates provided. (Those who do not fulfil the eligibility criteria and/or those providing unrealistically high travel expense estimates will not be considered.)

5. Notification and Payment of Successful Candidates

Prior to the event, MGMS will notify applicants about whether a bursary will be provided and will confirm the maximum value of the award. Costs will usually be reimbursed after the event when we have received an acceptable report (detailed in section 1) and a travel expense claim with relevant receipts or booking confirmations. Payment will only be made in advance of the event where there is a strong argument for this.

6. Conditions

- Bursaries are granted only by written confirmation from Lhasa Limited and MGMS.
- Bursary recipients who are unable to attend the event must inform Lhasa Limited immediately. We may request that you send a suitable alternative delegate or refund the bursary if it has been paid in advance of the event.
- Bursary recipients failing to attend the event will not receive any payment from Lhasa Limited. Payments made on behalf of candidates by Lhasa Limited prior to the event must be fully

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refunded (e.g. accommodation bookings.)

- Funds are awarded to cover items specified in section 1 of this document. Evidence of travel expenditure is required by Lhasa Limited after the event, we cannot guarantee reimbursement in the absence of valid receipts and/or booking confirmations.
- If for any reason the eventual cost of attendance is lower than the bursary offered, Lhasa Limited will refund only the amount spent. In cases where funding is provided before the event, excess money must be returned to Lhasa Limited.
- In cases where expense claims exceed the value of the bursary awarded Lhasa Limited will reimburse only the value of the award offered, as confirmed in writing prior to the event.
- Delegates must behave in an appropriate manner at the event. Inappropriate behaviour would include being disruptive or abusive. Delegates who are deemed to have acted in an inappropriate manner will not receive, or will be required to refund the bursary.
- Bursary recipients are required to submit a 500 word (minimum) report to Lhasa Limited within three weeks of the event. Payments will be made on receipt of an acceptable report and travel expense claim.

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