

# Social Responsibility in the Curriculum Funding Call 18/19

Apply for up to £2000 to enable socially responsible graduates through innovative curriculum enhancement

Application deadline: Thursday 1st November 2018, 17:00

The FBMH Vice Dean for Social Responsibility, Prof Mahesh Nirmalan invites staff to apply for funding to support 'Social Responsibility in the Curriculum' initiatives. This has been successful in funding a range of initiatives in FBMH in the last two academic years, (further details at:

https://www.bmh.manchester.ac.uk/connect/social-responsibility/. Up to £1000 can be applied for (although funding up to £2000 will be considered in exceptional circumstances) and funding should be spent by 31<sup>st</sup> July 2019.

**Aim:** For course unit leaders to facilitate and encourage students to think how their enthusiasm for their subject can make a difference beyond the immediate demands of the curriculum.

## Criteria:

Any FBMH course unit leader of an undergraduate or postgraduate taught course can apply. Examples of proposals are not restricted to, but may include the following:

- Novel methods of involving and engaging patients and the public in curriculum development, teaching and assessment
- Incorporation of external visits or short placements in the curriculum to cultural and health venues, local charities, public sector bodies or schools
- Visits of relevant individuals or representatives of outside agencies to the module (i.e. patients, service users, service user researchers, patient groups, medical charities, community groups)
- Development of innovative assessment processes that orientate students to the outside world (e.g. challenging students to communicate research findings to an unexpected audience)
- Creation of course materials that promote students' work to non-university audiences
- Incorporation of student projects or commissions that challenge them to explore the relevance of their subject/discipline for engaging with wider communities (e.g. how might a module topic be used as part of wider community public engagement events?)
- Inclusion of Environmental Sustainability initiatives within the curriculum (e.g. considering environmental sustainability when designing new course content, reducing the need for travel, reducing the use of paper-based resources, etc.)

Those modules that incorporate activities that are targeted at increasing the employability of our graduates or highlight the relevance of patient and public involvement and engagement (PPI/E) and workplace ethics will be particularly welcome. Core modules will be given priority.

# Costs can include:

- Student travel
- Visitor/speaker expenses
- Course materials
- Assessment material (e.g. posters, video)

Costs cannot include requests for IT equipment or other items which would normally be requested through your School equipment and resources budget.



A consortium of modules from the same programme could apply together where the activity may be jointly organised benefitting several groups of students (e.g. a speaker or a field visit) – however the maximum of £2000 would apply for a consortium as well. Individuals/consortium members can submit applications for more than one module.

Funding awarded must be spent by 31st July 2019.

#### **Further information**

General enquiries can be directed to <u>Hawys Williams</u>, Social Responsibility and Public Engagement Manager.

## **Application process**

To apply please submit a **two page summary** (two sides of A4 in 11pt calibri font) and email to <a href="mailto:srbmh@manchester.ac.uk">srbmh@manchester.ac.uk</a>. The application form must not exceed two pages in total and requests information on the following:

- Project and module title, names of team members
- Timetable and student numbers
- Links to University social responsibility priorities
  (Visit the social responsibility webpages for more information http://www.socialresponsibility.manchester.ac.uk/)
- Activities planned and any innovative features of the approach
- Outcomes expected
- Evaluation plan
- Sustainability plan

All applications need to be approved by your School Director of Social Responsibility prior to submission. This can be done by confirmation email.

Application deadline	Decision provided by:
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2018	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2018

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