

Applicants are invited to apply for funds of up to £1,000 for studies which will support or advance their geotechnical career.

The BGA Fund Award is open to all member and is associated with excellence, we only ask that you are passionate about geotechnical engineering. You may apply for funds to assist with your education (research activities, books, training courses, equipment as well as conference/fieldtrip attendance). Priority will be given to those with limited alternative sources of funding. Applications are particularly encouraged from members who are at an early stage of their career or want to further their basic understanding in the field of geotechnics.

Applications can be submitted at any time but will be reviewed and awarded twice yearly (November and May). Applications should be made using the official application form.

Am I eligible?

- You must be a student or full member of the BGA.
- You must have a background in geotechnics or a cognate discipline (e.g. civil engineering, geoscience, laboratory testing, site investigation) and keen interest in furthering your knowledge in the field of geotechnical engineering.
- Applications may be made either before or during the period of study.
- You may not receive more than two BGA Fund Awards. If you are a previous award recipient there must be a lapse of one year before applying again.
- You must write a report of between 2,000 and 3,000 words outlining how the allocated funds have been used during the period of study. This must be completed within 18 months of the award date.
- Any publications arising from the award, whether wholly or in part, should acknowledge BGA support. This includes on-line publications, such as conference web sites.

When do I apply?

Applications can be made throughout the year but will only be considered twice yearly by the BGA. Successful applicants will be notified shortly after the award in November and April, respectively.

Applications should comprise a fully completed application form and referee form received by the BGA co-ordinator.

How do I apply?

- Download the relevant forms from the BGA website <https://www.britishgeotech.org/about-us/bga-fund>
- Complete an a BGA Fund Award Application Form and arrange for a BGA Fund Award Sponsor Statement Form to be completed by your current employer or course tutor.
- Submit the forms via the Prizes page of the BGA website <https://www.britishgeotech.org/prizes>

How will the successful applicants be chosen?

All applications are reviewed by the BGA Fund Committee (formed of no less than 3 members of the BGA Executive Committee) who will consider the following:

- Academic merit
- Likely future relevance to the profession
- Benefit of proposed funding
- Financial situation
- Assessment of sponsor's statement

The committee's decision is final and feedback cannot be given.