

FAQ

IOP Affiliated Society Additional Funding

Case Studies: we've supported joint society events, conferences, diversity panels and events, pizza nights, student forums, poster competitions, hackathons, trips to national and international facilities, online games festivals, coding, CV, internship and skills workshops, podcasts, PhD presentations, careers sessions, guest lecture series, prizes, stargazing... the list goes on. **What's your idea?**

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What is additional funding?

The IOP provides additional funding for society events or activities that promote the wonder of physics and enable participants to gain experience and knowledge related to their studies and career aspirations. Additional funding is a one-off grant that helps societies

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What is it for?

Funding is typically used for in-person or online events or activities, such as speaker & event expenses, local outreach, skills workshops, travel to science facilities, as well as for larger events such as regional forums, symposiums or conferences. Funding applications are assessed according to the size of the event and its relevance to the following criteria:

- **introducing students to the wonder of physics**
- **Broadening participants understanding of careers in physics**

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How does it work?

Once societies have joined the affiliated society network and created their event plan, they can email studentcommunity@iop.org for an additional funding form and we will discuss your event with you. The society completes the short form, sharing relevant info and detailing how the IOP can best support the activity. We review the proposal and confirm the status of the application within 10 working days. After that, the society provides payment information and the grant is processed!

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Who is eligible for additional funding?

Any active physics and related society at a UK university affiliated with the IOP for the academic year is eligible to apply for additional funding. Events should seek to promote the diversity of physics research and raise awareness of career opportunities.

But don't be put off if you haven't got much experience – we are always keen to start the conversation and support you to bring your event ideas to life.

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My event was cancelled, can I use additional funding for anything else?

Yes, you should still apply! Where funding events is not possible you can approach additional funding creatively as an opportunity to invest in your society now and for the future. Anything which you can demonstrate will add value to your members and communities, to achieve the above aim (accessing the wonder of physics and deepening career aspirations) is eligible.

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T's and C's

- Affiliation is a prerequisite to apply for additional funding. To be an IOP Affiliated Society, two committee members must be IOP Associate Members and the society must complete the short IOP Affiliation registration.
- Additional funding applications can be submitted anytime before the conclusion of final term.
- Each application is considered on a case by case basis

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Increasing diversity in physics

The IOP is committed to raising the profile and participation of underrepresented groups in physics. We aim to support all societies to promote physics in a spirit of inclusivity and is actively seeking applications from societies that promote or include underrepresented groups at university.

