

**Philosophy of Education Society of Great Britain
Annual General Meeting March 2018**

Report on Large Grants Committee

1. Membership:

The current membership of the large grants committee is:

David Lewin (Chair), Mary Healy, Judith Suissa, Andrea English, Anders Schinkel

Two members of the Committee will be coming to the end of their term this year, so we are seeking to appoint new members. It was decided at the executive committee that members of LG committee should be asked to serve for 3 years (rather than 2 years as previously has been the case) in order to provide some more continuity for the committee.

Due to the society's financial constraints, the Large Grants budget this year was reduced to £15,000 and it was again decided to limit our awards to PhD studentships. This budget does not include the British Academy/Leverhulme/PESGB Grants which are also supported (see below).

2. Doctoral studentships:

During the 2018-19 funding competition 14 applications were received requesting a total of over £48,000. It is very encouraging that so many doctoral students are engaged in work across this field and have sought funding from PESGB. However, this situation also presents us with the challenge of allocating the limited budget in a fair way. The chair wishes to acknowledge the considerable work undertaken by the committee in reviewing the many excellent applications that were received.

The following students have been awarded studentships for the 2018-19 academic year:

- Alison Brady
- Blessing Chapfika
- Elizabeth O'Brien
- Julia Molinari
- Grace Coles
- Kate O'Shaughnessy
- Matt Plen
- So Young Lee

3. British Academy/Leverhulme/PESGB Grants

PESGB is in partnership with the British Academy/Leverhulme Small Research Grant scheme to support research in philosophy of education. This funding is intended 'to facilitate initial project planning and development; to support the direct costs of research; and to enable the advancement of research through workshops or conferences, or visits by or to partner scholars.' Applicants may seek support for any combination of eligible activity and cost up to the overall limit of £10,000. The next Call will open soon. The next deadline will be in June 2018. Details can be found here:

<http://www.philosophy-of-education.org/resources/grants/large-grants.html>

In 2017 PESGB did not receive suitable proposals through the scheme. As a result, the chair has been encouraged to seek ways to further highlight this opportunity and to solicit applications as widely as possible. Details of projects of previous award recipients have been made available on the PESGB website in order to celebrate these successes, as well as provide some encouragement and inspiration for future applicants.

<http://www.philosophy-of-education.org/resources/grants/large-grant-award-holders.html>

The next round of for BA/L/PESGB awards will open soon with a closing date in June 2018.

David Lewin
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