The London Natural History Society (LNHS) offers two £250 awards each year for projects involving any aspect of natural history in London, preferably for fieldwork within the Greater London area, but possibly for other relevant, archival research.

We also support methodologically-sound survey work in any aspect of natural history on the National Trust's Bookham Commons site, in the most south-westerly part of our area where we have a long-standing survey. As such, we will consider applications for a grant to students carrying out such survey work on Bookham Commons as part of their research.

Grant conditions

Any students that are awarded a grant agree to :

- Present the results of their work at one of LNHS' virtual or in-person talks during the following academic year, and
- Write a short report of their work (a 2-3 page summary, including a discussion of project, methods, results and interpretation) to be sent to the Society. With the student and their university department's agreement, this report could be considered for one of the LNHS publications (London Naturalist, London Bird Report or the LNHS Newsletter). This would not preclude publication elsewhere and this could be acknowledged in the summary report.

If intended fieldwork by students awarded a bursary turns out impossible due to Covid restrictions, etc, they or their tutor must notify the LNHS grant administrator.

How to apply

Current MSc or PhD level students may apply by completing a short two-page Word document, using the guidelines below, or by completing the **LNHS Grant Application**. Applications should be submitted to the **grant administrator.**

The first page should include your name, email and telephone number; name of university where you are enrolled and the degree registered for; name of your supervisor/tutor; and a title for the planned project. You should also list any previous natural history experience, relevant presentations given or reports/papers published. However, we will consider proposals from students early in their careers who may have limited experience.

The second page should give an abstract of the intended work in less than 300 words (excluding headings) under the following headings:

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- Title
- General Aim(s)
- How/Why it is of interest
- Specific task(s) funding would be used for, including where
- Concluding sentence on how the results might advance knowledge or be applied.

The deadline for applications is **31 January by 6 pm**. Successful applicants will be notified within approximately 2-3 weeks.

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