



BOA Medical Student T&O Elective Bursary

Terms and Conditions (2025-2026)

1. Eligibility Criteria

- 1.1 Applicants must be medical students enrolled at a recognized medical school in the United Kingdom.
- 1.2 Applicants must be in their clinical years of study at the time of application.
- 1.3 Applicants must not have been awarded a previous bursary from any other organization or medical school for the specified elective
- 1.4 Applicants must be planning an elective placement in the field of trauma and orthopaedics, either within the UK or internationally, during the elective window of February 2025 - January 2026.
- 1.5 Applicants must be active BOA members in good standing (membership paid). Applications will be considered from individuals whose membership application is pending, any award may be made provisionally but will not be paid until membership is approved & paid.

2. Application Process

- 2.1 Applications must be submitted to policy@boa.ac.uk by midnight 28th February.
- 2.2 All sections of the application form must be completed, including personal details, academic history, elective placement details, and a personal statement.
- 2.3 Applicants must provide a letter of confirmation from their elective placement supervisor.
- 2.4 A supporting letter from the applicant's medical school confirming the elective placement is required.

3. Selection Process

- 3.1 Three bursary recipients will be selected by a committee appointed by the BOA.
- 3.2 Each bursary is valued at up to £500.
- 3.3 The selection will be based on the applicant's academic merit, the quality of their application, and the relevance of the elective placement to the field of trauma and orthopaedics.



3.4 The decision of the selection committee is final and not subject to appeal.

4. Bursary Award

- 4.1 Each of the three bursaries awarded will be valued at up to £500. No additional funding will be available beyond the amount specified in the award letter.
- 4.2 Bursaries are intended to assist with travel, accommodation, and subsistence costs related to the elective placement.
- 4.3 Bursary funds will be disbursed directly to the recipient's bank account upon receipt of a signed acceptance form and banking details.
- 4.4 Bursary awardees will receive free-of-charge registration for the BOA Congress following their elective, where they will have the opportunity to present their experience.

5. Conditions of the Bursary

- 5.1 Bursary recipients must complete their elective placement as outlined in their application.
- 5.2 Any significant changes to the elective placement (e.g. location, duration) must be communicated to the BOA at the earliest opportunity and approved by the BOA prior to commencement of the placement.
- 5.3 Recipients are required to submit a written report to the BOA within one month of completing their elective placement. The report should detail the experiences and learning outcomes of the placement and contain 3-5 photographs and may be published on the BOA e.g. on our website, social media or journals.
- 5.4 Recipients are also required to present their elective experience at the BOA Congress following their elective placement.
- 5.5 By accepting an award, all awardees are agreeing not to partake in any activities that will bring the BOA into disrepute
- 5.6 The BOA accepts no liability for the actions of awardees while on the elective placement, or for activities related to it.



6. Withdrawal or Repayment of the Bursary

- 6.1 The BOA reserves the right to withdraw the bursary if the recipient fails to meet the terms and conditions outlined herein.
- 6.2 If the elective placement is not completed, or if significant changes to the placement occur without prior approval, the recipient may be required to repay the bursary in full or in part.
- 6.3 In the event of unforeseen circumstances preventing the completion of the elective, the recipient must notify the BOA as soon as possible to discuss potential resolutions.

7. Publicity

- 7.1 By accepting the bursary, recipients agree to participate in promotional activities related to the bursary, including providing testimonials, photographs, and case studies for use in BOA publications and on the BOA website.
- 7.2 Recipients may be required to participate in an interview or provide a video testimonial about their elective experience.

8. General

- 8.1 The BOA reserves the right to amend these terms and conditions at any time. Any changes will be communicated to all current applicants and recipients.
- 8.2 The bursary is non-transferable and can only be used for the purpose outlined in the application.

By submitting an application for the British Orthopaedic Association Medical Student Orthopaedic Elective Bursary, applicants agree to abide by these terms and conditions.