LMS Early Career Fellowships

Conditions of Award and Requirements for Final Reports

Before applying for an Early Career Fellowship, you should check that these conditions of award and reporting requirements are acceptable to you and your proposed host institution(s).

The London Mathematical Society is a charity and, in this Scheme, supports early career mathematicians by offering a transitional Fellowship (3-6 month) to be held in partnership with UK or overseas institution(s). The aim of the scheme is for fellows to establish new research links and to expand network collaborations outside the home institution by either relocating for the duration of the Fellowship or by having collaboration visits in person to other institutions across the duration of the Fellowship. This Scheme provides charitable investment in human capital and research capacity, rather than project funding per se. It covers only the costs of the Fellowship; we do not meet the full economic costs of any research that may be carried out under this Scheme. If you have any queries, please contact Chair of the Early Career Research Committee on fellowships@lms.ac.uk to discuss your application.

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Conditions of Award

1. Grants must be used solely for the purposes set out in the application, approved by the Trustees, and described in the letter of award.

2. The Fellowship should start after the grant holder’s PhD thesis has been submitted and not more than 9 months after the grant holder’s PhD was awarded.

3. The grant holder must ensure that all agreements about access to facilities necessary for the Fellowship are obtained before the Fellowship commences and can be ensured throughout the grant period.
4 It is expected that an academic mentor from the host institution will maintain weekly contact with the grant holder as far as possible and that the host institution will provide the grant holder with access to computing and library facilities. In addition, any bench fees should be waived.

5 Any additional financial support for the Fellowship obtained from other sources must be made known to the London Mathematical Society as soon as possible.

6 Grant holders will be permitted to teach for up to three hours per week during the course of their Fellowship. Otherwise, they are expected to spend their working time on study and research.

7 LMS Early Career Fellowships are not intended to be used as grants to undertake research at one institution while the Fellow is also employed at another institution.

8 In the event of the Fellow taking up full-time employment before the Fellowship period ends, the Fellowship will terminate, and the balance of the grant should be returned to the Society.

Changes in course of project

9 The London Mathematical Society should be informed immediately if the grant holder is unable to take up the grant or to complete the Fellowship for any reason.

10 The London Mathematical Society reserves the right to terminate an award if the grant holder is in breach of any of the conditions of award or becomes unable to pursue the work funded by the grant.

Grant payments

11 Grants will be paid by bank transfer to the grant holder, and this is normally done in one full payment.

12 The Early Career Fellowships are grants to support the costs of a Fellowship in partnership with a UK or overseas institution and are not intended to be considered as employment.

Intellectual property, copyright, and acknowledgement of the London Mathematical Society

13 Should any publications arise from research undertaken during the Fellowship, Grant holders are expected to publish results of any research in the normal way and to send a copy to the London Mathematical Society.

14 The Society’s support for the Fellowship should be acknowledged wherever appropriate.
Requirements for Final Reports

Reporting to the London Mathematical Society

It is to the advantage of the grant holder to keep the Society informed of progress of a Fellowship and particularly of changes to circumstances that may affect the outcome of the grant.

Final Report

_A final report, which includes a financial statement, should be submitted no later than one month following the completion of the Fellowship._

Report forms will be made available to download from the London Mathematical Society’s website (www.lms.ac.uk/grants/lms-early-career-fellowships) and include:

- A summary paragraph describing activities undertaken during the Fellowship written for the lay reader. This may be used on the London Mathematical Society website or in publications to promote the Scheme and so we would be very pleased to receive photographs of the grant holder during the Fellowship or any images arising from research undertaken.
- The grant holder’s future career plans beyond the end of the Fellowship.
- A comment on the value of the grant to the grant holder’s planned career.
- A financial statement confirming that the full term of the grant has been completed and no balance remains. At the end of the grant any outstanding balance of more than £10 should be returned to the London Mathematical Society.