The Post-Grad Community Project Fund makes funds available to UAL postgraduate students to organise academic events, projects and cultural interventions that bring together postgraduate students from different disciplines, courses and colleges.

Projects are encouraged to respond to one of UAL’s four identified research themes, enabling students to become active participants in UAL’s research culture.

Project Fund criteria

1. The project team must be led by current postgraduate students from different courses or research areas. A minimum team of 2 is required. (The Post-Grad Community Team can help identify collaborators)
2. Projects must identify and articulate which research theme they are responding to.
3. Priority will be given to proposals which connect different colleges.
4. Projects must be completed within 12 weeks of being awarded funding (unless agreed otherwise)
5. A final report is required for the Post-Grad Community
6. Projects must have an agreed plan on how the organisers will attract an audience.

How to apply

• Download and complete the Post Grad Community Project Fund Application Form 2019
• Make sure it meets the Post Grad Project Fund Criteria
• Return your completed application form to PGCommunity@arts.ac.uk by the deadline above.

If successful, applicants will be contacted within 2 weeks of the published deadline and cheques will be raised within the following 2 weeks.

For further information or to discuss your project prior to application, please contact the Post-Grad Community team by emailing PGCommunity@arts.ac.uk

*Postgraduate students at UAL include both taught and research students: MA, MPhil, MRes, MSc, PGDip, PGCert, PhD and Early Career Researchers.
Can you tell me more about the 4 research themes?

- **Living with Environmental Change**
  Using creative practice to expand our understanding of environmental change, social innovation and sustainable living and to change producer and consumer behaviours.

- **Lifelong Health and Wellbeing**
  Designing and creating for people’s life-long economic, social and health impact, in order to maximise societal gains and minimise issues of dependency, isolation, and inequality.

- **Digital Futures**
  Exploring through practice how technology affects lives, changes the way society interacts and impacts on communities, cultural production, future society, and economic growth.

- **Community Resilience**
  Using art and design to strengthen communities. Developing innovative and sustainable solutions, through co-design, co-creation, socially responsive practices and social entrepreneurship.

I have a great idea, but don’t know who to collaborate with?

Please get in touch if you would like help identifying other postgraduate students to work with, well in advance of the deadline. We can help by sharing callouts in our newsletter. You can post directly to our facebook group [https://www.facebook.com/groups/UALPGCommunity/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/UALPGCommunity/)

Can I have some examples of collaboration across disciplines?

Think about the ‘Dream Team’ to turn your idea into a successful project. Do you need: a photographer, a blogger, a documentary film-maker, a graphic designer, an advertising specialist, a marketing professional, a fashion designers, a performance designer, a curator, an architect, a journalist... a book designer?

The Post-Grad Community has students with all of these skills and more.
What does my project proposal need to include?
We want to know all about your ideas for your project and the practical details of how you are going to make it happen:

- What resources do you need?
- Who is going to take part?
- Where is it going to take place?
- Who is the audience for the project?
- How are you going to measure the success of your project?
- How are you going to document it?

When does it have to happen?
The project will need to be completed within 12 weeks of funding being awarded.

What kind of costs will you fund?
Printing costs, equipment hire, venue hire, materials, props, specific travel costs, professional fees, refreshments…

What kind of costs do you not fund?
The fund does not cover student fees or your research time. If you would like to query if a cost is eligible, please get in touch before submitting your application.

Can I get funding for my degree show or other work related to my course?
No. This funding is only available for activity that you are initiating in addition to assessed work for your course.

How do I apply?
Please fill out the application form and email it via your UAL email address to pgcommunity@arts.ac.uk before the published deadline.