



## BALEAP Collaborative Practice Funding

### 2019 Information Sheet



#### Background

*BALEAP: The Global Forum for EAP Professional* supports the development of those involved in learning, teaching, scholarship and research in English for Academic Purposes. Our institutional and individual members are committed to helping students thrive academically and prepare for meaningful, rewarding futures. Our members' collaborative work with academic staff in HE institutions has been widely disseminated in a range of fora; what is less visible is the very important work that our members do in partnership with others, e.g. [learning development](#), [employability](#), [volunteering and student union colleagues](#).

#### Aims and approaches

To increase visibility and facilitate development of innovative, collaborative practice in the areas mentioned above, we

are making available funding in two different streams:

- **Sharing existing good practice to facilitate further professional development:** BALEAP members are invited to co-author 1500-word case studies of their prior experience of working collaboratively with colleagues from other areas within (or outside) their institution to design and deliver innovative provision. The case studies will be published on the BALEAP website and the co-authors will receive up to £250 towards attendance at a face-to-face professional event of their choice, to further disseminate their experience and/or develop their knowledge. Deadline for initial expressions of interest (outline + indication of professional development event): **9am on 30 April 2019**. It is expected that up to five case studies

will receive professional development funding.

- **Pilot projects (2019-2020):** BALEAP members are invited to submit bids for two grants of up to £1,500 and three grants of up to £500 to set up collaborative projects between 1 August 2019 and 31 July 2020, aimed at enhancing students' success at university and beyond graduation. Deadline for full project proposals: **9am on 31 May 2019.**

### Criteria for professional development funding

- How did students benefit from the innovative provision offered?
- What did the team designing and delivering the provision learn from this experience that would be of use to other colleagues?
- In what way will the event the applicants have chosen to attend (a) support the professional development of the applicants and (b) help build capacity across the sector for further bespoke provision?

### Criteria for pilot project funding

- The extent to which the project is deemed to enhance students' success at university and beyond graduation in the context in which it is delivered.
- The extent to which the project paves the way for future collaboration.
- Plans to evaluate the impact of the project and ensure longer term value.

### Eligibility

Applications must be made jointly by a BALEAP member and a collaborating colleague from another area within (or outside) their institution.

### Condition of funding

Evidence of institutional support (e.g., space in workload, logistics or additional funding) will be required for at least one of the co-applicants.

### Assessment of applications

Applications will be assessed by a panel with expertise in the areas on which the funding focuses (English for Academic Purposes, learning development, employability, volunteering, student unions). An external observer with a relevant specialism will also input into the decision-making process and advise on the procedures.

### How to apply

Application forms are available on the BALEAP website. For additional details, email [treasurer@baleap.org](mailto:treasurer@baleap.org).

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