

Sponsoring a Studentship at the University of Edinburgh



A sponsored studentship programme will provide you with access to a high calibre University graduate engaged in a research area pertinent to your business needs, offering a unique source of innovation and a cost effective means to tackle longer term technical problems.

The University of Edinburgh is ranked as one of the top 50 Universities in the world. We have an outstanding reputation for the quality of our research, with our PhD studentship programs highly regarded and respected throughout industry and academia.

There is no better place to engage with world class academic expertise and state of the art facilities than Edinburgh. As a world leading University we are at the forefront of creating value through knowledge transfer. In sponsoring a studentship, you will have access to one of the most prestigious Universities in the UK and indeed the world.

What will your company get from a Studentship?

An Edinburgh sponsored studentship programme involves focussed research projects that are strategically important to you as a sponsor.

The program will provide you with the opportunity to engage with our academics collaboratively, letting you access new skill sets and expertise within the University that may not be readily available within your company. This means that the cost of sponsoring a student, which is significantly lower than directly employing University research staff, will also provide access to a wider community of expertise.

It also provides you with means for ensuring that there is a continual flow of new talent, trained and focussed on key industry challenges.

The resulting project will provide a significant overview of the current thinking and theory associated with the chosen project area and will also look to develop solutions to meet the project challenges. In many studentship programs intellectual property is created, providing the opportunity for you to innovate through exploitation.

Key features

- lasts up to 4 years
- scope of project is agreed between you and the lead academic
- can be combined with academic consultancy

Key benefits

- Cost effective research
- Address strategic opportunities
- Meet future recruitment requirements - train and retain
- Access novel approaches, current thinking, best practice
- Access state of the art equipment
- Access academics at forefront of a field
- Demonstrate diligence with potential investors
- Exposure to emerging/disruptive technologies, processes and techniques

Further information

To discuss how you can sponsor a studentship and also find out how working with us can benefit your business, contact:

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