

# UKALTA Student Awards 2024



UKALTA is committed to offering funding for several students to attend and present at the *Language Testing Forum* (LTF) each year, usually held in late November. The funding is given towards the cost of LTF registration, travel, accommodation or and/other LTF-related expenses - up to a maximum of £500 per awardee. The student must be accepted to give an oral or poster presentation at the event.

Students who are accepted to present at LTF are invited to apply for the award by a set deadline. Applicants must provide: the title, authors and abstract of their presentation; a supporting statement for their application (up to 200 words); and an approximate budget for the costs they wish to cover. The supporting statement should include a brief explanation of the financial context (including any other partial funding support already secured) and of the benefits that the applicant believes conference attendance will bring in terms of, for example, networking or furthering their studies.

Applications should be sent to [info@UKALTA.org](mailto:info@UKALTA.org) and will be considered by the UKALTA Awards and Sponsorship sub-committee and ratified by the Executive Board. The criteria for approval are:

- Relevance of presentation to the conference theme
- Quality of the abstract – in relation to content and language
- Persuasiveness of the supporting statement

## Conditions for the award

- The applicant must be a student member of UKALTA. (See the UKALTA website for membership eligibility requirements.).
- The presentation may involve a solo student presenter or a student co-presenter with one or more co-presenters. Co-presenters do not have to be students. If two (or more) students are involved in one presentation, a joint application is required and, if awarded, the funding (of up to £500) is shared equally. Each awardee must take an active part in an oral presentation.
- An awardee is required to provide evidence of their student status to receive the award (e.g. via an email from a supervisor). Student status is viewed as continuing to graduation.
- Funding is provided for the awardee only. Awardees must not have funding from other sources for the same costs. Funding is provided based on receipts and is therefore given **after** the conference has taken place.
- Awardees may be recognised in the LTF conference programme and on the UKALTA website. After the conference, awardees may be asked to provide a paragraph explaining the value of attending LTF from their perspective. This text may be used to promote the award in future years.
- Awardees may not apply for the award in subsequent years.
- If no applications of sufficient quality are received, no award will be made for that year.