

The Student's Union Fund Criteria

S You've got this unique project idea - and we can make it happen!

The SUF is all about supporting **unique**, **student-driven initiatives** that make life at LSE even more amazing. To ensure your project receives the attention it deserves, it's essential to meet specific criteria that reflect what the SUF stands for. This guideline document outlines each criterion, providing a clear roadmap for successful funding.

Remember, the devil is in the details! Be as specific as possible in your responses—each criterion is a key factor in securing funding. Should you have any questions or need assistance, don't hesitate to contact the <u>funds coordinator</u> directly. We're here to help you turn your vision into reality!

Checklist

Does your project tick all the boxes?

01	Wellbeing	
02	Inclusion	
03	Environmental Sustainability	
04	Education	
05	Student Demand	
06	Financial Need - Societies and Clubs only	
07	Financial Sustainability - Societies and Clubs only	



Well-being

Your project can significantly **enhance LSE students' mental or physical health**, and we want to hear all about it! Provide concrete examples showcasing how your initiative directly targets aspects of student wellbeing. Be specific! Help us understand exactly how your project becomes a beacon of support for the well-being of our vibrant LSE community.



Environmental Sustainability

Show us your green game! Detail **specific eco-friendly practices** in your project—think waste reduction, energy efficiency, and responsible sourcing. Whether it's recycling programs, carbon footprint reduction, or sustainability education, give us the deets. How is your project making a real impact on LSE's ecological footprint?



Financial Need

Before applying for SUF, give your society's account a close examination. Assess your finances judiciously, recognising that societies vary in their account balances. If you spot a financial gap holding back your impactful plans, we're here to help bridge it. Be fair in your evaluation and show us why SUF is the precise financial boost your society requires to thrive.



Student Demand

Showcase the demand for your project through numbers – memberships, polls, or observed demand. Let the demand shine through, whether it's a buzzing club, a sought-after event, or a service that students can't get enough of.

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Inclusion

Your project plays a key role in creating an inclusive and diverse atmosphere at LSE, while being accessible to a wide range of students. Share concrete examples illustrating how your project ensures representation and involvement from various student backgrounds. This might involve outreach strategies to underrepresented groups, hosting events celebrating different cultures, or implementing accessibility measures for students with diverse needs.



Financial Sustainability

While SUF is here to kickstart your project, we anticipate you taking charge of its financial future. Outline how your project plans for financial sustainability. Provide clear examples of budget management or cost-saving strategies beyond SUF funding. Whether it's diversifying funding sources, planning for long-term stability, or creatively managing expenses, share the specifics through a solid plan.



Education

Detail the specific educational aspects of your project — be it workshops, seminars, or resourceful content. Whether it's fostering academic growth, enhancing skills, or promoting knowledge exchange. How is your project making a real impact on student learning at LSE? Paint us a picture of the educational journey your project is paving on our campus.



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Additional Information

- Any submissions in which we suspect the use of AI will not be considered.
- Your application will be reviewed by our team before being presented to the SUF Panel held every two weeks, which makes the final decision.
- The SUF Panel involves our sabbatical officers (elected for the current academic year), an LSE representative, the Societies development manager, the funds coordinator, and other selected student club & and society reps as appropriate to the fund applied for.
- Please note that no appeal is possible to the panel's decision.



Restrictions

Please note that the fund **cannot** be used for:

- · Alcohol purchase
- · Gifts or prizes for external guests
- Travel costs or accommodation for external guests
- Merchandise (e.g. lanyards/personalised clothing)

