



## Application for Funding for Student-Led Conferences, Seminars or Research Meetings

This funding is ONLY available to **Postgraduate Research Students** (PhD, EngD, MPhil, MRes, Professional Doctorate). If you are not registered on one of these courses, then you will NOT be eligible for this funding.

If you are a member of research staff, please see the Learning Development Centre website for similar funding (<http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/services/ldc/funding/researchers/>)

<b>Title of your activity/event:</b>	Young Researchers in Mathematics
<b>Date of your activity/event:</b>	14 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> April 2011
<b>If it has website please give the URL:</b>	<a href="http://go.warwick.ac.uk/YRM2011">go.warwick.ac.uk/YRM2011</a>
<b>Will it be taking place on campus? YES / NO*</b>	
<b>Will it be open to students from other departments? YES / NO*</b>	
<b>Details of the main organiser(s)</b>	
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<b>Are any other conferences occurring in your department? YES / NO</b>	
<b>Have these received funding from the RSSP? YES / NO</b>	
<b>Scope and impact of the activity/event proposed:</b>	
<i>Please highlight the aims for this activity/event, who is your target audience, an estimate of the numbers of students who will be involved &amp; in what capacity; an indication of how you will measure the impact of the activity/activities.</i>	
<p>Young Researchers in Mathematics (YRM) 2011 is a 3-day conference run by and aimed at doctoral and post-doctoral researchers within the broad area of Mathematics from across the UK and internationally.</p> <p>The conference aims to facilitate networking and collaboration between early career research mathematicians from different institutions, forming working relationships which will persist into the future. In bringing the conference to the University of Warwick, the current committee aims to establish this unique event within the mathematics research community.</p> <p>The conference will have a total of around 200 delegates.</p> <p>Eight students form the organising committee and approximately ten more will be involved in the day to day running of the conference when the delegates are here; this includes chairmanship of scientific tracks. Around 100 students will give conference presentations. Another set of students will be recruited to run the conference next year and those currently involved will be a point of reference, information and advice for the year afterwards.</p> <p>The impact of the activities will be measured through feedback forms (either distributed to every participant during the conference or via an online form emailed to all participants after the conference). A current and on-going opportunity to leave comments or suggestions and raise queries is available through the conference email address.</p>	



**Skills Development** (as this funding is provided by Student Careers & Skills, we would like you to consider how the proposed event/activity will develop your skills & experience. )

1) For your organisational team

To organise a large-scale event,  
 to negotiate for funding and to negotiate for services,  
 to take a customer service perspective,  
 to plan, follow through and execute a project,  
 to communicate effectively with the rest of the organisers, funding partners, delegates, service providers,  
 and departmental and other stakeholders,  
 to motivate self and others,  
 to use time effectively,  
 to overcome disagreements and problems,  
 to work as a team to overcome external setbacks,  
 to publicise effectively, from the graphic design through to personal networking,  
 to be flexible and persistent in working towards the goal over the period of an entire calendar year,  
 leadership within their assigned roles and joint leadership of the other volunteers,  
 event management,  
 public communication to the delegates at the conference.

2) For the other student presenters

To be self-aware and identify own training needs,  
 taking the initiative to fill skill gaps,  
 public communication of science,  
 networking and team working,  
 willingness to acquire knowledge,  
 construct coherent arguments and constructively defend research outcomes,  
 organisation skills,  
 to listen, give feedback and respond perceptively to others.

3) For the delegates

Taking the initiative to fill skill gaps,  
 motivation,  
 networking and team working,  
 a willingness to acquire knowledge,  
 organisation skills,  
 to listen, give feedback and respond perceptively to others.

Please provide a cost code to which you would like the money transferred (*speak to your departmental secretary about this*).

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Once you have completed your event/activity, we require you to write a reflective report. This should include:

- how you felt it went;
- how many students were involved in a) the organisational process and b) presenting at the conference itself;
- what you learned during the organisational process;
- how it has contributed to your research and helped you develop as a researcher;



<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>➤ what would you do differently next time;</li><li>➤ if possible, what tangible results came of organising the conference</li></ul>	
Please insert a signature to confirm that you understand the requirements and agree to provide a report after the event/activity	Martine J. Barons
Signature of your Head of Department	Prof. Robin Ball

Please return your completed application to RSSP, Student Careers & Skills, University House, or email it to [pgresearchskills@warwick.ac.uk](mailto:pgresearchskills@warwick.ac.uk)