



DARWIN COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE

2026-27

Information: Darwin & St. John's Travel Fund, Finley/Keller Yakas/Abe Yoffe Bursaries, DarBar Travel Grants, Sustainable Travel Grants

ELIGIBILITY FOR TRAVEL GRANTS:

These are only available to **current student members**, who can only receive one grant per academic year. Priority will be given to those **still paying fees** or those **now off fees, but who have not yet received a travel grant**. Applications from other students will be considered depending upon the availability of funds.

Grants are *not* available for work/travel that is essential to a candidate's studies (this should have been factored into the financial conditions for admission). Other research-related travel may be supported, including attendance fees and necessary accommodation. Two sources of support are available - please indicate on the application form which category of awards you are applying for. All applications must be accompanied by a **brief statement from your supervisor** supporting the travel/event attendance. This can be emailed to deanery@darwin.cam.ac.uk.

Upon completion of travel, recipients must submit any relevant receipts and a brief report (100-200 words) to the Deanery.

1. DARWIN COLLEGE TRAVEL FUND/ST JOHN'S FUND

Travel funds are allocated by competition once a term following three corresponding deadlines as detailed below, although late applications may be considered during July-September if funds remain available. Applications are judged by a Deputy Dean.

There are no fixed criteria used, but factors such as academic merit, active participation in any meetings or conferences attended and the likelihood of the candidate being able to meet the total cost will be considered. It is normally expected that the funding will be for travel undertaken during the current academic year. Candidates may be awarded up to £500 depending upon the projected or actual cost of travel if it has taken place. All awards will be paid directly into the candidate's bank account. The deadline for completed applications is the final day of each full term:

Michaelmas Term – Friday 4 December 2026

Lent Term - Friday, 19 March 2027

Easter Term – Friday 18 June 2027

2. FINLEY, KELLER YAKAS & ABE YOFFE BURSARIES / DarBar TRAVEL GRANTS

In the second category, these grants are awarded annually by competition in the **Lent term**. These are judged on a wide range of criteria, **although applicants from the Arts and Humanities, for whom alternative sources of funding are often limited, will be favoured**. Applications are again judged by a Deputy Dean. Six bursaries (3 Finley, 2 Keller Yakas and 1 Abe Yoffe) are usually awarded, offering up to £350 towards the cost of research-related travel. There are also 3 DarBar Travel Grants of £200, again for research-related travel. Unsuccessful applicants will be considered for a Darwin and St John's award instead and these smaller awards may be increased up to £500 if necessary.

The application deadline for these is **Friday, 12 March 2027**

ADDITIONAL FUNDING TO COMPLEMENT OTHER TRAVEL GRANTS: THE SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL GRANT

Recognising that reducing air travel is one of the most effective ways individuals can minimise their contribution to climate change, applicants can apply for additional funding through the Sustainable Travel Grant, to cover the cost difference between a flight and a more sustainable travel option. If you are applying for this, please provide details of the travel cost to your destination by air and by a more sustainable form of transport (which must be used to receive this extra funding).

The Sustainable Travel Grant is funded by the proceeds from Darwin College's Project Second Life sale. **Such funds are limited and funding is not guaranteed, so please check with the Deanery that money is available before booking a more expensive travel option that might receive a sustainable travel grant.**