

RGS-IBG Geographical Fieldwork Grants

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● Grants for geographical field research and exploration overseas

Multiple grants of up to **£3,000** are available for teams of 3 or more students, undertaking geographical research overseas. In the last two years these grants have helped over 190 students get into the field. A huge range of topics have been supported; from volcano monitoring in Chile, to understanding conservation issues in Madagascar to researching refugees' rights in Uganda.



Left: Volcano monitoring in Chile. Right: Research focus group in Bangladesh

Top tips for applying:

- Talk to your lecturer or tutor – ask for advice or who to talk to in the department. Having expert advice from a specialist in your field of study can improve the methodology and aims of your project.
- Talk to students in the years ahead of you at university – find out details of projects that have carried out research in the same area, or projects with a similar research focus.
- Contact local organisations or universities in the host country – ensure your project is of interest or use to them. In-country collaboration can also be instrumental in obtaining permits/visas.
- Be realistic. Think about what you can reasonably achieve in the time you have, consider time needed for acclimatisation, and don't forget to include some downtime!
- For further advice on all aspects of planning overseas fieldwork, see the Expedition Handbook. www.rgs.org/GOpubs

How to apply:

- Visit www.rgs.org/grants to download the application form. Application deadline is **18 January**
- For help or advice in applying for a grant, contact the Grants Officer at:
 - grants@rgs.org; Tel: +44 (0)20 7591 3073

A range of grants are available for students and researchers undertaking geographical research. For details of all our grants visit www.rgs.org/grants