# RCS England Elective Prize in Surgery and the PKK & SK Elective Fellowships

# Terms and Conditions

We offer two types of award for medical students planning an elective in surgery in a developing country:

The RCS England Elective Prizes are awards of up to £500 for clinical students wishing to pursue a career in surgery and planning to undertake an elective in surgery in a developing country. This award is made possible thanks to the kind donations of the Preiskel family.

And

The PKK & SK Elective Fellowships are two awards of up to £1,000 each for clinical students wishing to pursue a career in surgery that are planning to undertake an elective in surgery in India. These awards are made possible thanks to the kind donations of the PKK and SK family.

Awards are made competitively and may be used flexibly to support the award holder’s elective, for the purpose described in their application form.

Eligibility

To be eligible to apply, you must be:

* a clinical student at a UK medical school;
* a paid affiliate member of RCS England, and successful applicants must remain in good standing order with their membership fees throughout the tenure of the award.
* wishing to pursue a career in surgery and planning to undertake your elective attachment in surgery in a developing country during the 2025/2026 academic year (July 2025 to August 2026).

Applicants should not have received a travelling award or fellowship from RCS England before.

Conditions for Award

Elective awards are made on the understanding that the host centre, the supervisor and the applicant agree to accept the terms and conditions relating to the scheme and any amendments issued during the course of the award. The project should commence within the academic year of the award date.

Financial arrangements

Successful candidates should sign this document to accept the terms and conditions, giving details of the account to which the funds should be paid, to [research@rcseng.ac.uk](mailto:research@rcseng.ac.uk). At the end of the award period, any unused funds should be returned to RCS England.

Change of Project

The funding has been awarded for the project outlined in the application form only.

Change of Circumstance

RCS England Research must be notified of any change of circumstance from those originally approved, at which point further advice will be provided.

Presentations and publications

The College’s research award should be acknowledged at all presentations and in publications. The Royal College of Surgeons of England and the elective award must be acknowledged as the source of funds in any publication dealing with the work carried out during the tenure of an award. Publications and papers should be forwarded to the Research Department. The award holder may occasionally be asked to make presentations on behalf of the College.

Final Report

At the end of the year, award holders will be required to write a short report on the use they have made of the award together with photographs as featured in the [RCS England Research Report](https://www.rcseng.ac.uk/standards-and-research/research/surgical-research-reports/).