



Entry Form

Application for the Jean Heap Research Bursary – 2026

Society of Light
and Lighting

The Society launched the bursary in November 2014, in tribute to the commitment to lighting research and education which Jean Heap demonstrated within the Society and throughout her career in the lighting industry.

Please email your completed form to sll@cibse.org

Please read the application notes before completing this form.

Name: Employer:

Email: Tel Number:
Address:

Applicants are invited to submit a written paper, along with a short video to outline their research proposal. Following this, a panel will select the successful proposal. The panel will be looking for a specific piece of lighting study or research designed for the benefit of SLL members and industry as a whole. The call for applications is open to everyone with an interest in lighting. Applicants should outline the proposed research project, including the specific topic to be researched, the methodology, the timescale and clearly stated aims and objectives of the research. The successful proposal will also include an outline of why the applicant needs funding and how the funds will be used in carrying out their research.

Please complete the form below and enclose with your application of a written paper and short video.

Title of project:

Specific research topic:

Timescale:

Objectives of research:

The deadline to submit your application for the 2026 SLL Jean Heap Bursary is 11th May 2026.

Declaration: I wish to apply for the Jean Heap Research Bursary. I understand that, if selected, I will be invited to give my paper/presentation in full at the SLL AGM 2027 (Overseas applications can deliver their presentation as a video)

Signed: Date:



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The proposal should:

- Be well structured with clearly stated objectives
- Be well presented
- Clearly state how the research will benefit SLL members, the Industry and the public
- Include a clear outline of a coherent program for the work
- There should be a clear purpose for the bursary funds, showing what can be achieved and demonstrating how the funds would add to the research

We recommend that alongside your full proposal, you include a short summary and an outline of how the funding will be used. You may also wish to include a schedule for your research.

Please ensure that the paper proposal is no longer than 2 sides of A4. This should be presented in either Word or pdf. format.

The video presentation should include a piece to camera and be 3 – 5 minutes long.

For insight on how to present your video presentation see [Jean Heap Bursary past recipients](#).

Payment, reporting and monitoring:

While the funding schedule may be adjusted in order that the successful candidate can use them in the way outlined in their proposal, the funds bursary (up to £4000 total) shall be paid in four instalments over the 12-month research period, based on a regular progress reports from the successful candidate, as follows:

- 1st payment; upon announcement of the successful candidate
- 2nd payment; upon receipt of a 3-month progress report from the candidate
- 3rd payment; after the candidate has submitted a 6-month progress report in the form of a video blog to be submitted in November 2026
- 4th payment; upon receipt of a 9-month progress report from the candidate, before final presentation at SLL AGM 2027

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