

Grants to TEIs for International Ecumenical Study Initiatives

Theological Education Institutions are invited to submit applications to Ministry Division for grant funding to support initiatives, for which they retain responsibility, that provide Anglican ordinands with substantial opportunities for ecumenical study abroad. They may do so individually or in partnership with other institutions in this country. The initiatives may be new or well-established.

In order to be considered, applications must include documentation setting out how the initiative meets the following criteria:

- opportunities to learn and worship with Christians from other churches and cultures;
- informed attention to issues raised by ecumenical engagement – practical, historical, doctrinal and personal;
- contribution to students' formation for ordained ministry set out and communicated to the students;
- effective preparation for students' future participation in ecumenical approaches to mission and ministry;
- clearly framed partnership with at least one soundly run institution abroad;
- complementing the range of options available through the fully-funded individual study placements in Rome, Bossey, France and Germany by offering something distinctive from them.

As well as documentation explaining how these criteria will be met, applications should include:

- a letter of support for the initiative from the partner institution(s) abroad
- a brief account of the costs of the initiative, explaining (a) what proportion of those costs is being requested from the funds administered by the Ministry Division and (b) how the rest of the costs will be met.

TEIs are asked to submit their applications for the 2018-19 academic year to the Revd Dr Keith Beech-Gruneberg at Ministry Division by Monday 4th December.

If you would value an informal discussion about a potential application, please contact the Secretary for Ecumenical Relations, The Revd Canon Dr Jeremy Worthen, at the Council for Christian Unity (jeremy.worthen@churchofengland.org; 020 7898 1488).