

## **EPSRC Doctoral Training Partnership (DTP)**

### **Research Training Support Grant (RTSG)**

Students awarded EPSRC Doctoral Training Partnership (DTP) studentships under the University's Strathclyde Research Studentship Scheme (SRSS) have access to a Research Training Support Grant (RTSG) of £1,500 per annum (a total of £5,250 over a 42-month studentship) to cover the costs of the research project. These funds are allocated to academic departments for individual named EPSRC DTP students. RTSG funds can only be used for the EPSRC DTP student to which they are allocated and cannot be pooled for use for students who do not otherwise have access to such funds.

#### **Eligible Uses of RTSG:**

- Consumables to support the research project.
- Equipment to support the research project (for pieces of equipment that will be used by a number of students only the percentage relating to the EPSRC DTP student can be claimed against the RTSG budget).
- Conferences and summer schools.
- Travel for conferences and for research purposes.
- Industrial placement costs.
- Books and other reading material not available through libraries.
- Software that is required for your specific research project that is not accessible via the University.

#### **Ineligible Uses of RTSG:**

- Purchasing computer hardware, laptops etc.
- General laboratory costs
- Research or travel costs relating to supervisors.
- Research or travel costs associated with any other student.
- Other costs which should be covered by the University/Department as standard

Please note that any equipment purchased using RTSG funds will remain the property of the University of Strathclyde once the student has completed their doctoral research.

It is expected that any planned expenditure against the student's RTSG will have been discussed and agreed upon with the supervisor.

RTSG can only be used within the student's funding duration (i.e. if they have been awarded a 42-month studentship, they can only use the RTSG funds within that period). RTSG funds cannot be frontloaded, i.e., they only have access to maximum of £1,500 in the first year of their research. The funds can however roll forward to the next academic year if unspent and required for future years.

If you or your EPSRC DTP-funded student(s) have any questions regarding eligible use of EPSRC DTP RTSG funds, please not hesitate to contact the PGR Funding Team, in the Research & Knowledge Exchange Services Directorate (RKES): [rkcs-res@strath.ac.uk](mailto:rkcs-res@strath.ac.uk)