REGISTER CALLOUTS

Student applications

Register as a student

Information about registering as a student

https://www.lido-dtp.ac.uk/user/login
• First you must select your route(s) of entry.

• You can select just one route, or both, but you won’t be able to change this later so consider all your options.

• Students on the DTP route will take rotations in the first year before choosing their project.

• Students on the iCASE route will start on their named iCASE project from the first day.
**DTP = Doctoral Training Partnership.** These represent our core studentships. Students joining the programme on the DTP route will start the programme with two different lab rotations before choosing their PhD project.

LIDo makes a call for new DTP projects after we have recruited our students. This means there are approximately 3 months in the Spring when our offer holders are able to work with potential supervisors to discuss submitting a project proposal to the programme. During this time LIDo provides support to students to help understand what makes a strong LIDo DTP project, what exactly is BBSRC remit and how projects can display interdisciplinarity. The full project portfolio of at least 200 projects is available by the end of July each year prior to entry.

**iCASE = Industrial CASE studentships** (Collaborative Awards in Science and Engineering). Students joining the programme on the iCASE route will start on a named project with an academic and industry supervisory team. There will be no lab rotations and it will not be possible to change project. The student will spend their working at both their academic institution and industrial partner. These studentship often include an enhanced stipend due to additional funding from the industry partner.

iCASE projects are approved ahead of recruitment and students apply directly to them.
Students make one application to LIDo regardless of their route of entry. This application is for entry to the programme.

Interview dates will be offered to 300 candidates on basis of their shortlisting score. These candidates will interview with a LIDo panel in February who will assess suitability for the programme. This interview will be broad for the programme in general.

Following the LIDo interviews the programme will make our offers for the DTP route of entry. We will also recommend any iCASE applicants who scored as appointable to the iCASE supervisors.

iCASE supervisors will shortlist their applicants and invite candidates to a 2nd interview. This interview will be specific to the advertised iCASE project.

Important! If you are made a DTP offer at this stage, but you have also applied to an iCASE project, you will be able to hold your DTP offer until you find out the result of your iCASE application in the next stage!
• Sometimes fee status requires proof of residency in the UK, so we need you to provide 3 years of addresses.

• Click add more if your first address does not cover the previous 3 years.
You need two different referees; they can be from education or employment.

References from your friends and family are not permitted.

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Please contact your referees in advance and check they are able and willing to provide a reference by the deadline.
• If your application does not have two submitted references by the closing date, then it will not be considered for entry to the programme.

• Please enter your referee details as soon as possible and click ‘Notify Referees and continue’

• Do not leave this to the last minute!!
• If you need an English language test, but you don’t have a recent one, don’t worry!! This can be provided later if we make you an offer.
• Standard LiDo UKRI studentships cover home fees and a tax-free stipend.

• We can also offer up to 11 fully funded (fees & stipend) places on the programme for students who are eligible for overseas fee rates.

• Our 11 overseas places are allocated available on both the DTP and iCASE routes of entry and are allocated based on interview score.

• All overseas students will be based at one named partner in the LiDo consortium, and this will restrict project choice on the DTP route of entry.
Disability/special needs

Do you have a disability? *
- Yes
- No

- If you require assistance or adjustments during the recruitment process, please don’t hesitate to let us know.
At this stage you have completed the personal details section of the application form.

None of the information you have entered so far will be included in the shortlisting stage of your application.

Type your name in the signature box and save to continue to the application information.
LIDo operates blind anonymous shortlisting. None of the personal details you have entered in the form will be included in your application.

As you move through the remaining sections of the form you should try to refrain from including any personal identifying details such as your name, age or gender.

Where these characteristics are referenced, they will be manually redacted in your application before it can be processed.
• The form requests details of at least one university level degree qualification.

• If you have more than two qualifications, then you should enter the two most recent and list the others on your CV which you will attach later.
You are going to need to enter your results for each of your modules / courses on this page. Keep entering the details and clicking ‘Add additional Module values’ until you’ve entered all the information on your transcript.

**IMPORTANT:** You will need to upload the corresponding transcript document showing these grades later in the application form.

- Do not enter details for degrees if you cannot supply a transcript of your results. In that case the qualification should be included on your CV clearly marked ‘transcripts not available’

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Always include the **final total** grade, score or mark for the module or course taken.
If you don’t have a second qualification to enter, this section can be left blank.
• Like the education section, the form will request the details of two research projects you have been involved in.

• These don’t have to be the two most recent, you can choose to describe the research experience you consider most relevant for your application to the programme.

• Additional research experience should be included in brief on your CV uploaded later in the application.
• This section is asking you to consider what the most significant outcomes of your research are. These might have arisen from projects you already described in the previous sections, or other research you’ve been involved in. Try not to repeat information you’ve already given us; every section of the application is an opportunity to tell us something new about you and your experiences.
What are research outcomes?

- Publications
- Collaborations
- Novel Findings
- IP and licensing
- Engagement Activities
- Research Databases and models
- Awards and recognition

And so many other things!!
Interdisciplinarity is the foundation of the LIDo programme and drives our ambitions.

We seek to challenge traditional scientific boundaries and immerse our students in environments that develop their appetite for innovation, intellectual agility, and their confidence to collaborate effectively outside their comfort zones.

This question is asking you to describe what role interdisciplinary research has had in your academic journey so far and in your future ambitions. It maybe from work you’ve been involved in, courses or opportunities you sought or motivations for future directions.

Graduates from a life science, physical science, chemical science, computational science or statistics background who wish to conduct leading-edge bioscience research are encouraged to apply
This section is for your personal statement, it’s your opportunity to tell us anything you haven’t been able to in the previous sections. Remember give us new information, don’t repeat what you’ve already said.

Things you might want to think about....

What is your motivation for a PhD? Why have you made the choices you’ve made in your journey so far? What’s next for you? What do you hope to achieve? What have you done so far that support these goals? Why is LIDo the right next step for you? What about this programme is a good fit for you? How will being a LIDo student support your ambitions?

Be personal and specific!

Don’t forget, this is a blind anonymous shortlisting, don’t include personal identifiers that will need to be redacted. You don’t need to sign this section with your name!
LIDo is funded by the Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC), part of UK Research and Innovation (UKRI)

The BBSRC have a very specific remit of research that they fund, and this remit applies to the LIDo programme as well.

Our funders research remit defines the projects we can fund and those we can’t.

It is important for you to understand the BBSRC funding remit and how that overlaps with the research you would like to do.
For example, BBSRC funds research in:

- **humans** – including human physiology, cell biology, genetics and genomics if it’s relevant to understanding normal human function (but not if it’s focused on specific human diseases or abnormal conditions)
- **animal diseases** – but not studies primarily involving animal models of human disease and human toxicology, including abnormal toxicological reactions and drug toxicity
- **wild species** – when they are pests in an agricultural setting or pollinators of agricultural crops, or when they act as a suitable model and provide wider understanding of biological processes
- **managed land** – where this relates to agriculture.
You have now answered all the questions on the application form and have reached the document upload section.
Your CV is very important, it is the chance to tell us about any qualifications or research experience that you didn’t include in the main application form.

BUT....

- It must be a maximum of 2 pages, no longer. Think of it as a document to invite questions, it doesn’t need to contain every detail.

- It must be anonymous. It cannot contain your name, address, photo, marital status etc... no personal identifying data.

- Dates of study or employment are permitted.

Mandatory Documents

Your CV should be a maximum of 2 pages. Longer CVs are not permitted. Please ensure your CV does not contain your name, gender, age, sexuality, disability, hobbies and interests, marital status, date of birth, or any photos. If you upload a CV containing personal details of this nature they will be removed from your application. LiDo operates a blind shortlisting stage.

2 Pages CV *

Choose file | No file chosen

☐ Confirm Uploaded CV meets above requirements *

Passport or other ID *

Choose file | No file chosen
Now you need to upload the transcripts that match the qualifications you have entered in the education section. Just upload the pages that show the grades. It is fine to upload screenshots from your student record or interim grades.
Who does not need to prove their knowledge of English
You do not need to prove your knowledge of English if you are from one of the following countries:
• Antigua and Barbuda
• Australia
• the Bahamas
• Barbados
• Belize
• Canada
• Dominica
• Grenada
• Guyana
• Ireland
• Jamaica
• Malta
• New Zealand
• St Kitts and Nevis
• St Lucia
• St Vincent and the Grenadines
• Trinidad and Tobago
• UK
• USA

Who does need to prove their knowledge of English
If you are not from any of the countries listed, you will need to prove evidence of one of the following before you become a student on the LIDo programme:
• Education which leads to an academic qualification
• Work experience
• An English language qualification or test result
Providing evidence of your English language test result or qualification

You should include evidence of your English ability within your application if possible. But we will still consider your application if you do not provide the evidence within your application.

If you have taken a test which meets the requirements of your programme, please upload this with your application.

If you are unable to do this, we will still consider your application, but we will ask you to provide test results if we make you an offer. We will state this condition on the offer letter which you must fulfil before enrolment.

Recognised tests

Pre-sessional English Courses
International English Language Testing System (IELTS)
Test of English as Foreign Language (TOEFL) iBT
Cambridge English: C2 Proficiency (CPE)
Cambridge English: C1 Advanced (CAE)
Pearson Test of English (Academic)
Trinity College London, Integrated Skills in English
Occupational English Test (OET)
• On the final page you will be able to easily review every section of the application form. Go through it carefully to ensure you have completed every section and uploaded all the required documents.

• When you’re satisfied hit that ‘Submit’ button!!
Your application has now been submitted and we'll be in touch after the closing date. Don't forget to keep track of both your references and ensure they are submitted before the deadline too!

At this stage we ask you to complete a diversity monitoring form. This information is held in anonymized format and separate from your application data. It is important for us to be able to review our policies promoting equitable access to the programme.

All questions are optional and 'Prefer not to say' is still useful data. Any information you choose to supply is held on a private secure server.