

UNIVERISTY OF NOTTINGHAM FUNDING SCHEMES

Funding for collaborative research with industry

The DTI, Research Councils and other Research Sponsors have developed a range of programmes to encourage research collaborations with industry. The major programmes are detailed below with appropriate web-links for more detailed information.

- Knowledge Transfer Partnership
- Industrial Fellowships
- Industrial CASE

Knowledge Transfer Partnership

The Knowledge Transfer Partnership (KTP) is a government scheme that brings together companies and universities to form a partnership that focuses on projects central to the strategic development of a company. Projects are supervised by staff from both the company and university, and implemented by recently qualified graduates (Associates) who are jointly recruited by the company and university. Benefits to academics include seeing research applied to a business setting, receiving funding to free up time to supervise Associates, collecting valuable case study material for use in teaching, publications and keeping business skills up to date. Contact Paul Yeomans for further information.

Further information is available from the Knowledge Transfer Partnership web.

Industrial Fellowships

Industry Fellowships are funded by: the Royal Society; the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council; the Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council; and Rolls-Royce plc. The scheme aims to enhance knowledge transfer in science and technology between those in industry and those in research or higher education institutions. It provides opportunities for academic scientists, mathematicians and engineers to work in a UK industrial environment and for industrial scientists, mathematicians and engineers to undertake research or course-development work in a UK research or higher education institution. It is anticipated that fellows will establish personal and corporate links between the two sectors in the UK as a foundation for their long-term future development. Further information on how to apply for fellowships is available from the Royal Society website.

Industrial CASE

Industrial CASE Studentships are designed to enhance both the academic excellence and industrial relevance of postgraduate research training in the UK . Awards take the form of three-year studentships for graduates who undertake a programme of research leading to a PhD. The subject is selected and supervised jointly by academic and industrial partners. Awards are made to the company rather than the academic partner; hence the company has significant involvement in the direction of the research project. Awards are made by individual Research Councils but general principles apply to all awards. Further information is available from the BBSRC website.