eSTEeM Student Scholarship Panel

Get involved with [eSTEeM](https://www5.open.ac.uk/scholarship-and-innovation/esteem/)

In eSTEeM, we are interested in STEM teaching and learning and specifically how our students’ learning experience can be improved; this is called the **S**cholarship **o**f **T**eaching and **L**earning or SoTL.

eSTEeM organises and supports scholarship in the STEM Faculty on a project basis. Most of our projects benefit significantly from very close involvement with students and we are always interested in linking up project teams with OU students who can bring their experience as learners to the project design and execution.

eSTEeM maintains a panel of students interested in supporting scholarship in the STEM Faculty. If you would like to initially register your interest, then please complete the details below and return to [esteem@open.ac.uk](mailto:esteem@open.ac.uk). We will then be in touch as and when specific opportunities arise and may ask for more information about your skills and study experience depending on the project’s scope.

Please note that there may be a significant waiting time between completing the register and opportunities arising as this will be dependent on the needs of the project teams and the type of research being proposed. eSTEeM normally has one project call each year, usually December/January, and receives approx. 15 proposals in total. Most project teams will require students who are current OU students; therefore, you must be currently studying or have completed studies on any STEM qualification in the last 12 months.

The extent of your involvement with a project can vary, from a relatively small role with a specific aspect of the project, to a much larger commitment, perhaps even co-designing or co-leading the project. But rest assured that we will value your contribution regardless of the amount of time you have to give.

Depending on the task(s) involved you may be required to complete compliance training modules equating to approx. half a day-a day in total.

# Part A. About you

Please complete the details below

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| 1. Your name |  |
| 2. Your preferred mail address |  |
| 3. Date form completed |  |
| 4. Please briefly tell us why you are interested in getting involved with eSTEeM including what you are currently studying at the OU. |  |

# Part B. Privacy and data protection

By completing this form, you are agreeing for your details to be stored on a central database accessible by the eSTEeM Management Team. Your form may be shared with eSTEeM project leaders/team members who are seeking student involvement in their project. We will ask you to review your details every two years; however, you are free to opt out at any time by contacting us at [esteem@open.ac.uk](mailto:esteem@open.ac.uk) to be removed from the database.

Any information you provide us with will be treated in the strictest confidence and used only by Open University staff who form part of the eSTEeM community. This project is administered under the UK General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and the Data Protection Act (DPA 2018). For more information, please visit the [Research Participant Privacy Notice (PDF 129kb)](https://about.open.ac.uk/sites/about.open.ac.uk/files/files/Privacy/Research-Participants-privacy-notice.pdf)

If you have any queries, please email us at [esteem@open.ac.uk](mailto:esteem@open.ac.uk). Thank you for completing this form and for your interest in eSTEeM.