

# Application for the Phil Strong Memorial Prize

This form should be completed and returned to the BSA office by no later than **12pm on** **Friday, 1st of August 2025** to: enquiries@britsoc.org.uk or post to: Phil Strong Memorial Prize, The British Sociological Association, Chancery Court, Belmont Business Park, Belmont, DURHAM, DH1 1TW

For more details, please go to: <http://www.britsoc.co.uk/medsoc/PhilStrong.htm>

Applications will be judged anonymously against the following criteria:

1. Clarity: Is there a clear description of how the prize will be used?
2. Relevance to Medical Sociology: How closely does the research align with the core concerns and themes of medical sociology as a field of study?
3. Impact: is the impact of the research outlined? This could relate to impact on the applicant, on their study, on the field of study, on key communities etc.
4. Feasibility: is there a clear description of how the applicant will increase the success of the activities outlined.

[Detachable Section - For Administrative Use Only]

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| **[Completed by administrative staff]** | Application number:  |
| **Applicant details** |
| Name:  |
| Institution:  |
| Address:  |
| E-mail: Contact number:  |
| BSA membership number:  |
| Degree registered for:  |
| Date registered:  |
| Expected date of completion:  |
| **Supervisor details** |
| Name:  |
| E-mail: |
| Institution and institutional account through which the prize would be administered: |
| **Signatures** |
| **Applicant signature:** **Date:**  |
| **I confirm that the details in this application are correct** **Supervisor’s signature:** **Date:**  |

[Detachable Section – Application To Be Shared With The Early-Careers Representatives Of The Medical Sociology Committee]

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| **[Completed by administrative staff]** | Application number:  |
| **Study details** |
| **Study title:** *Summary of research, please provide an outline of your study, including background, aims and objectives, methods and any finding to date, max 400 words:* **Summary of research:**  |
| **Prize Details** |
| *Proposed use of prize, please provide details of the activities to be supported and timetable, see note below, max 300 words:* |
| *Costs, please provide an itemised breakdown of the likely costs and total costs, including an explanation of the likely costs, max 100 words:*Please provide a brief justification of your likely costs (100 words): |
| *Outcomes of prize, please provide a statement of how:*1. *the prize would contribute to the field of medical sociology;*
2. *the impact of the prize (this can be on yourself as a researcher, on your project, on key communities, on the discipline etc.), max 500 words:*
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| NOTEThe Phil Strong Prize Money may not be used for: * Funding living expenses (e.g. rent);
* The material production of a thesis (e.g. photocopying and binding) (the BSA has a fund to which students can apply for this –<http://www.britsoc.co.uk/students/SupportFund.htm>);
* Courses which should be offered by the Department/Unit as part of normal provision for postgraduate or undergraduate students (e.g. standard courses in research methods);
* Return fares for an overseas student, registered in Britain, to return home. Exceptions may be made if there is strong evidence of how this would advance the study;
* Materials and equipment such as books, computers (including access to the internet) and tape-recorders which should properly be supplied by the sponsoring institution; and
* Any purpose which is unlawful.
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