

Student-led Conferences 2021-22

During the academic year 2021-22, the student-led conferences fund, administered by the MCR Committee, supported four initiatives. These were

- Video Essay Workshop, led by Amelia Ford;
- Conference for Geophysics Graduate Students, led by Carl Martin;
- Cambridge Zero Postgraduate Academy Symposium, led by Elspeth Mathau;
- EBI-Sanger-Cambridge PhD Symposium, led by Shaista Madad.

Each initiative was awarded the maximum amount agreed by the MCR Committee of £300. See below for more detail on each of these conferences.

Video Essay Workshop. The all-day event took place on 3rd July in Jesus College and was open to all members of the Jesus College MCR community, followed by a series of weekly/fortnightly meetings. Funding from the student-led conferences fund supported refreshments and lunch for attendees.

Conference for Geophysics Graduate Students. The conference, known as the PostG raduate Research in Progress conference, took place between 14-16th September, hosted in the Earth Sciences department. The conference was open to students from all disciplines. Funding from the student-led conferences fund supported refreshments and lunch for attendees.

Cambridge Zero Postgraduate Academy Symposium. The symposium took place on 7th June in Jesus College and welcomes postgraduate students conducting climate and environmental related research to present. There was a total of 37 presenters, many of which were Jesus students. A keynote talk was given by Ulf Büntgen, Professor of Environmental Systems Analysis in the Department of Geography. Funding from the student-led conferences fund supported refreshments and lunch for presenters.

EBI-Sanger-Cambridge PhD Symposium. The symposium is an annual one-day conference for postgraduate students at the University of Cambridge, organised by PhD students from Wellcome Sanger Institute and European Bioinformatics Institute. It provides a forum for students from across the university to present their research, discuss current issues in science with peers, and hear talks from distinguished scientists and was held on 9th September at Murray Edwards College. Funding from the student-led conferences fund supported venue hire.