**FUNDED PLACES AT THE 2024 BSA MEDICAL SOCIOLOGY CONFERENCE**

The BSA Medical Sociology Group committee is able maintain its support for a number of groups who may find it difficult to obtain funding for attendance at its annual conference. This year, this is supplemented by support from the Foundation for the Sociology of Health and Illness who are funding an additional ten places. **For the** [**2024 annual conference**](http://www.britsoc.co.uk/events/medsoc/)**, a total of 25 free places will be available (including registration, meals, accommodation and conference dinner) for postgraduate students**, **unwaged people, and for individuals working outside academia**, including sociologists in non-academic posts, those working in civil society organisations or service user groups, etc.

These places will be distributed to eligible individuals who apply to the BSA by the **8th July 2024** (for detailed eligibility criteria see below). Priority will be given to those presenting, with the possibility of any free places remaining being allocated to those who wish to attend the conference whilst not presenting. If there are more applicants than available places, then places will be allotted to eligible applicants on a first come, first served basis. If allocated a place, the support should be acknowledged in the conference presentation (a logo will be provided for PowerPoint presentations and posters) and in any publications arising from it, using the following phrasing:

***This work is/was supported by funding from the Foundation for the Sociology of Health and Illness and the BSA MedSoc group to attend the BSA Medical Sociology Conference 2024.***

To apply for a place, please complete the form below using these guidelines. **Please note those who have previously received a funded place will not be eligible to apply.**

Completed forms should be sent to [events@britsoc.org.uk](mailto:events@britsoc.org.uk) before the deadline above.

You will be notified about whether or not you have been successful shortly after the deadline for applications. If you are unsuccessful, you will be placed on a reserve list. If you are successful and later find that you are unable to attend the conference, please notify the BSA office as soon as possible, so that the place might be offered to someone on the reserve list.

**Please note that free places cover registration, accommodation and subsistence for the conference. Unfortunately, it is not possible to subsidise travel to and from the conference. Please note that delegates who are awarded a funded place and do not attend will be charged a £30 admin fee.**

Eligibility criteria

To be eligible for a **free place for postgraduate students**, you must:

* Be registered for a postgraduate (Masters or doctoral-level) qualification
* Not have access to institutional or other alternative funding to attend
* Receive a stipend, wage or other allowance no greater than the 2023/24 research council maintenance grant including enhancements (i.e. no more than £18,622 per annum, or with additional weighting for students registered at institutions in London)
* Have no other source of income (e.g. job) that amounts to more than the 2023/24 research council maintenance grant including enhancements

Please note that when allocating places, the number of applicants from each institution will be considered to ensure a fair spread of universities across the UK.

To be eligible for a **free place for the unwaged**, you must:

* Be out of paid employment
* Not have access to institutional or other alternative funding to attend
* Not be a full-time student

To be eligible for a **free place for individuals outside academia**, you must:

* Have a reasonable claim to be largely outside academia. (For example, you should not be a full-time student or hold a permanent or full-time research or teaching position in higher education.)
* Not have access to institutional or other alternative funding to attend

In applying these eligibility criteria, discretion rests with the BSA Medical Sociology group committee, and its decisions are final. However, if you are unsure about whether you are eligible, you are invited to e-mail the BSA events team, [events@britsoc.org.uk](mailto:events@britsoc.org.uk) who will resolve your query in consultation with the committee.

## PERSONAL DETAILS

Title: Surname: First name(s):

Contact address: Postcode:

Telephone No: Fax No: Mobile No:

Email address: Institution:

Employer (if applicable – if unwaged please indicate) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Degree (e.g. MA, MPhil, PhD), mode (full time / part time) and year (e.g. 1st, 2nd etc.) of postgraduate study (if applicable)

*If you do not want your email address to be published in the delegate list or on the BSA website please tick this box*

# Type of place applied for

A fully funded conference registration includes registration, meals, accommodation and conference dinner.

Postgraduate Student

Unwaged

Individuals working outside academia (including sociologist in non – academic posts, those working in civil society organisations or service user groups

### ACCOMMODATION:

**Accommodation is included with the funded place for the 11th and 12th September.**

**CONFERENCE DINNER:** Thursday 12th September 2024. (This is included in your funded place).

Yes, I would like to attend.  No, I will not be attending.

# SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Vegetarian meals  Vegan meals Hearing loop Wheelchair access

Please state any other special requirements \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_