

# The Land Rover 'Go Beyond' Bursary

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## ● Land Rover 110 Defender and £10,000 for a journey beyond your geographical environment

The Land Rover 'Go Beyond' Bursary run by RGS-IBG on behalf of Land Rover, provides £10,000 funding and the use of a 110 Defender vehicle to help the successful participants 'go beyond' when exploring their understanding of a particular geographical concept. The loan vehicle must be essential to the journey, and the winning teams will be expected to share their experience(s) by documenting the journey in a medium of their choice.

Applicants will need to demonstrate how the journey 'goes beyond' his/her usual experiences, limits or boundaries and how the journey will promote a wider understanding or enjoyment of geography. The application deadline is **24 September 2010**

### Eligibility

- Applicants should hold a clean UK driving licence and have 3 or more years experience of driving
- Teams will comprise 2 to 6 members
- Applicants must demonstrate a clear desire to learn from and be able to document the geography of the people, places and environments encountered on the journey itself
- The proposal must be a stand-alone project that does not require substantial additional funding/sponsorship (i.e. the bursary should cover the majority of costs)
- The Land Rover Defender must be an essential part of the project
- The journey must start and finish in the UK; however, it may take place in either the UK or overseas
- The journey must take place between **March and October 2011**
- Document and communicate the journey in a way that enables others to share in the experience

- Applicants are encouraged to become members or Fellows of the Royal Geographical Society (with IBG), but this is not a prerequisite
- Documentation can be in any form or medium: digital; photographic; film, written; visual etc. Team members must be able to demonstrate a passion for sharing the Go Beyond journey and an expertise in getting the message across in the chosen medium

### Application Process

Applications must be submitted by email in word to the Grants Officer at the Society. Deadlines will be strictly enforced.

### Initial Proposal

All applicants are asked to submit a title, two line summary and brief description of the project (350-450 words) in which the following areas should be addressed:

- How will the journey document and promote a wider understanding or enjoyment of geography?
- Why is your Go Beyond journey worth making and what do you want others to learn from it?
- For what reason(s) is this journey important to members of the team?
- Why is the vehicle an essential tool in making the journey?
- In what ways will you be going beyond your usual experiences, limits or boundaries
- How will you document the journey and share your experiences?
- Also let us know you heard about the award?

Keep this brief. At this stage we are not looking for detailed route plans and budgets.

From the initial proposals, projects will be short-listed by a panel of judges. Those selected will be asked to prepare a detailed proposal.

### Detailed Proposal

Applications should be submitted electronically and must contain the following information:

1. Name and full contact details (please include an email address)
2. Title and short abstract (max 100 words)
3. A provisional timetable, including start and end dates
4. An itemised income & expenditure budget with all sources of funding
5. A risk assessment and safety management plan (evidence of sufficient health and safety provision) (max 300 words)
6. Details of links with countries to be visited, including permissions and collaborations (max 250 words)
7. A declaration of any persons travelling with you and an explanation of their connection to the assignment, i.e. for safety reasons
8. A short biography or CV for each member
9. Please indicate how you heard about the Land Rover 'Go Beyond' Bursary

### Interview process

Up to five projects will be nominated and applicants called for interview. Interviews will be held at the Royal Geographical Society (with IBG) in London. The teams must be able to attend these interviews in person. The overall winners will be announced shortly after the interviews.

### Conditions of the Award

- The amount of the award (£10,000) is finite. Training and any other equipment will be provided only at the discretion of Land Rover. Personal and vehicle insurance is the responsibility of the bursary holder
- Safety is paramount, preference will be given to applicants who can demonstrate that they have given serious consideration to this aspect, particularly if the journey is in a remote area.
- Driver Safety Training will be provided if not already undertaken
- The award winners may be asked to present a lecture on the project work at the RGS-IBG at a mutually convenient date
- Award details may be published in the Society's publications and on the website
- Within a month of completion a preliminary report of 1,000 words must be submitted
- A full final report must be submitted electronically and in hard copy by **1 September** of the year following the award. Your final report must include a 250 word abstract, a description

of the project and its key findings (1000 words minimum), 3 - 5 digital images that capture the spirit of the project, a final budget an explanation, and details of presentations, publications and any other outputs

- The RGS-IBG requires that the projects it funds be conducted in an ethical and responsible manner and that recipients fulfil all their institution's health and safety requirements and ethical approvals. Full details of the Society's ethical guidelines for research can be found in a pdf at [www.rgs.org/grants-ethics](http://www.rgs.org/grants-ethics)

### Copyright

- Copyright in all text, images, film, audio and other outputs resulting from the bursary is to be held jointly by the winner and the Royal Geographical Society (with IBG)
- The Royal Geographical Society (with IBG) will offer support to the winner in managing IPR associated with the bursary
- The winner shall not be entitled to use the Land Rover or the Royal Geographical Society (with IBG) trademarks or logos without prior written agreement by either or both parties
- As joint copyright holder, the Royal Geographical Society (with IBG) shall provide Land Rover with its required access to text, image, film, audio and other outputs, for promotional and marketing use by Land Rover

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Please note: applicants may only apply for one grant per academic year, with the exception of the Henrietta Hutton Research Grant and the Gilchrist Fieldwork Award.