Creating international connections

£38,500 has been awarded to the Recruitment & International Office to fund two projects to encourage and support students participating in student mobility programmes.

Mairi Darroch, Internationalisation Manager, explained: ‘Offering opportunities to students to study abroad also gives them a chance to enhance their degree, life experience and employment prospects. It is important to offer students more opportunities to develop an international ethos and perspective and in order to encourage students to take advantage of these unique experiences we need to address the factors which prevent students from participating.

‘National surveys have shown that there are a variety of reasons limiting participation, including cultural and language limitations, but one of the major hurdles is lack of finance. That is why we applied to the Chancellor’s Fund in order to seek funding for projects that we hope will address any fears or barriers that may be stopping students from choosing placements abroad.’

A portion of monies will go towards supplementing travel scholarships already secured in order to extend the opportunity to more students. These scholarships are important as they allow recipients to plan and budget properly.

The remainder of the grant will be used to promote and support student experiences in Europe. Over the last two years there has been steady growth in the number of students going to non-EU countries but there has been a decrease in European participation.

The University has exchange agreements with around 250 universities throughout Europe. Funding will be invested in marketing activities, providing training programmes to prepare students for placements, offering a peer support network and generally raising the profile of the scheme.

Provisions will also be made to support short-term European experiences – for example attendance at academic conferences and competitions such as the Model UN Conference.

Ms Darroch continued: ‘This is an exciting time for the University as it strives to become a truly international institution. We are developing partnerships with universities across the globe and we are committed to enhancing our students’ understanding and appreciation of other cultures, languages and learning approaches by providing opportunities for all students to engage with the global citizen agenda and to equip them for international career opportunities. I am delighted that the Chancellor’s Fund has chosen to support us in this way.’

Rooms with a view

The Chancellor’s Fund has provided £5,500 to Conference & Visitor Services to gather and record information about the treasures within the rooms of the University that are used for public events in order to enhance visitor experience.

The project will focus on rooms in the Gilbert Scott Building, including the Bute Hall, the Randolph Hall, the Melville Room and the Turnbull Room.

History of art students, under the guidance of senior departmental members of staff and Archive Services, will carry out the research. The initiative aims to provide accurate historical information about the rooms and the artefacts that each holds.

Items such as portrait paintings, stained glass, heraldry and furniture will be individually labeled and a leaflet on each room will be available at the Visitor Centre and other reception areas.

Ishbel Duncan, Director of Conference & Visitor Services, explained: ‘We are committed to offering the best possible experience to all visitors. Being able to share a heightened passion for our University by confidently telling the stories of the rooms and their treasures will enthuse the users of these unique and highly sought after venues.’

The Melville Room and others will soon have their stories told.
Welcome from the Chancellor

The University welcomed a new Principal, Professor Anton Muscatelli, in October 2009. Since then he has been leading the University towards a new strategic plan for the coming years. I know that the Chancellor’s Fund will continue to have an integral part in supporting this mission.

At Glasgow we are continually striving to extend and develop opportunities for all and this is certainly reflected in the projects that the Chancellor’s Fund has recently supported.

I was pleased that the Board was able to support a project to purchase a manikin horse for the Vet School in order to provide unique training in dealing with emergency situations. This will not only benefit our current students but will also contribute to the continued personal development of practicing vets.

Outlined in this newsletter are a further two projects which aim to add something extra to the student experience, namely the student mobility initiative and the coaching and outreach scheme. We want our students to have a thoroughly enjoyable and rewarding experience through volunteering in schools and local sports clubs.

I would like to conclude by noting the late Joyce Moffett and her support of the University for over 18 years. We are extremely grateful that she has chosen to remember the Chancellor’s Fund by leaving a bequest. Her generosity will continue to benefit the University for years to come.

As we look towards the future, I would like to take a moment to thank you for your part in helping us achieve what we have today.

Professor Kenneth Calman
Chancellor

Afterthoughts of a Worm Hunter

In April 2009, £3,000 was awarded to the Glasgow Centre for International Development (GCID) to publish Afterthoughts of a Worm Hunter, the memoirs of eminent Glasgow parasitologist, Professor David Crompton.

Professor Crompton is a helminthologist, meaning that he is involved with the scientific study of worms, especially parasitic worms. Having retired from academic work his book draws on some of his reminiscences during his long and distinguished career in the developing world.

He has generously agreed that all proceeds from the sale of the book will go directly into the GCID Scholarships Fund, which finances postgraduate studies in Glasgow for students from some of the poorest countries in the world.

Professor John Briggs, Director of GCID, remarked: ‘I would like to thank the Chancellor’s Fund for generously supporting the production of this remarkable book. It is both amusing and thought provoking and I am most grateful to Professor Crompton for allowing the proceeds of the sale to go towards supporting excellent students from developing countries. We consider the GCID Scholarship Fund as one of the jewels in the crown of GCID, and this is a very positive way in which individuals can make a contribution.’

The book can be purchased for £12.99 (plus £3 postage and packaging) and can be ordered by emailing gcidadmin@ gla.ac.uk

Good sports

The coaching and outreach development project was set up by the University’s Sport & Recreation Service to provide opportunities for students to gain valuable experience and meaningful qualifications that will add real value to their time spent at the University.

The Chancellor’s Fund Advisory Board awarded £5,000 to the project in October 2008 in order to help establish the initiative over a two-year period.

The scheme offers opportunities for all registered students to develop new skills through volunteering while also undertaking coaching qualifications in their chosen sporting activity such as badminton, football, swimming, or through the Gym Instructor Award delivered within the University.

Euan Smith, Performance Sport & Service Projects Manager, commented: ‘We are delighted at how the programme has developed over the past year. Students participating in the scheme are gaining valuable experience through volunteering in schools and local sports clubs.’

Sport & Recreation is dedicated to developing links with external establishments not only to facilitate opportunities for students but also as part of the University’s commitment to making a worthwhile contribution to the community.

As the scheme continues, support will be provided for students who wish to progress to higher level coaching qualifications. These awards are a limited resource in Scotland and offering opportunities to obtain these will help improve the coaching infrastructure at both local and national levels.

Mr Smith concluded: ‘This project has not only given students recognised qualifications but also a chance to learn key employability skills such as communication and planning, which are highly desirable qualities for all students leaving university. I would like to thank all donors to the Chancellor’s Fund for supporting the University and its students in this way.’

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Lucky the horse

£6,640 has been awarded to the Department of Companion Animal Science to purchase a manikin horse in order to train veterinary students to deal with emergency situations involving large animals.

Patrick Pollock, Senior Lecturer in Equine Surgery, explained: ‘Horses and other large animals are frequently involved in road accidents or become trapped in dangerous situations. Such incidents account for a considerable number of calls to veterinary surgeons. Animals in distress pose a potential serious risk to the public and members of the veterinary profession, so need to be handled in a safe and effective manner.

‘Recently, training courses covering large animal rescue have been developed for vets and emergency workers. However, this important area is not covered in the veterinary curriculum in the UK vet schools.’

A recent donation of lifting and moving equipment for large animals has enabled demonstrations on rescue techniques to be incorporated into the final year of the undergraduate veterinary medicine programme. However, in order to become proficient in this area, students need to perform mocked up rescues, which require a purpose-built equine manikin.

The manikin, named Lucky, was designed by veterinary experts in large animal rescue and has fully articulated limbs and neck, weighs around 200kg and can be used to simulate a variety of emergency situations. Although Lucky is based on a horse, these techniques are equally applicable to other large animals such as cattle.

The Vet School, located at Garscube estate, provides ample space for demonstrations, which allow students to work in teams, plan and execute a rescue and consider appropriate animal aftercare. In addition, Strathclyde Fire & Rescue department have indicated that they would be willing to provide assistance in training to benefit both students and trainee fire and rescue officers.

It is also planned that training will be made available to qualified vets as part of the University’s commitment to providing continuing professional development for veterinary surgeons.

Mr Pollock continued: ‘The purchase of Lucky will allow Glasgow to become the first university in the UK to integrate large animal rescue techniques into the curriculum. This training will not only benefit current students, but also trained vets and other professionals involved in the emergency care of animals. The grant made by the Chancellor’s Fund makes possible this most welcome addition to our teaching facilities.’

An inspiring bequest

Joyce Moffett, a graduate, long-standing friend and supporter of the University, sadly passed away in 2008 leaving a sizeable bequest to the Chancellor’s Fund. This presented the Advisory Board with an opportunity to support a project that would make a significant difference to the fabric of the University and to the people who use its facilities.

The University’s Archive Services is currently undergoing an ambitious upgrade. While substantial grants had been sought from the Wolfson Trust and the Lind Foundation/Ballast Trust, a funding gap remained. The Board has met this shortfall by contributing £150,000 from Miss Moffett’s estate.

Archive Services holds records that document the history of the University and its management, staff and students from its foundation in 1451 to the present day. It has one of the largest collections of historical business records in Europe and includes much of the archive of Scottish industries such as banking, retail, distilling and shipbuilding.

The collections are preserved to be used for innovative teaching and research by the global academic community and the wider public. An increasing number of Masters programmes, including the MSc in Information Management & Preservation, draw heavily on the knowledge, expertise and resources available among the archives.

In order to maintain standards, and to expand services to meet growing demands, improvements are required to the building based at Thurso Street.

The main investment will be directed to enhance the visitor experience for users while updating security arrangements. Steps will also be taken to ensure the long-term survival of the whole collection by improving ventilation and electrical systems.

Andrew Primrose, Chairman of the Chancellor’s Fund Advisory Board, commented: ‘Miss Moffett was a donor to the Chancellor’s Fund in her lifetime and decided to continue her support after her death by making this bequest. The Board and I have been truly inspired by her generosity and were keen to ensure that monies are put towards a project that she would have welcomed.

‘The archive collections based at the University are of international significance and are a unique learning and corporate heritage resource. I am pleased that we can make a commitment that will ensure their upkeep for future generations of users.’

Miss Moffett will be remembered for her valued contribution through prominent recognition in the Archive Services reception area.
Want to help? Here’s how!

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If you’d like to give a regular gift, simply complete the attached form and return it to us. If you are a UK taxpayer and would like the value of your gift to increase by around a third, just complete the Gift Aid Declaration and return it with your Banker’s Order Form.

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