



BECOME A REAL- WORLD LEADER

With the Laidlaw Leadership & Research
Programme at the University of Leeds



What is the Laidlaw Leadership and Research Programme?

The Laidlaw Leadership and Research Programme is a **paid** opportunity that funds a research experience and leadership development for undergraduates. The programme aims to develop a new generation of leaders who are skilled researchers, embrace data-based decision making, and believe it is a moral imperative to lead with integrity.



Eligibility

To be eligible for the Laidlaw Programme, you must be:

- a first-year UG student
- based in Leeds during 2022-23

Students on MBChB Medicine and Surgery and 2-year LLB Law courses are NOT eligible to apply

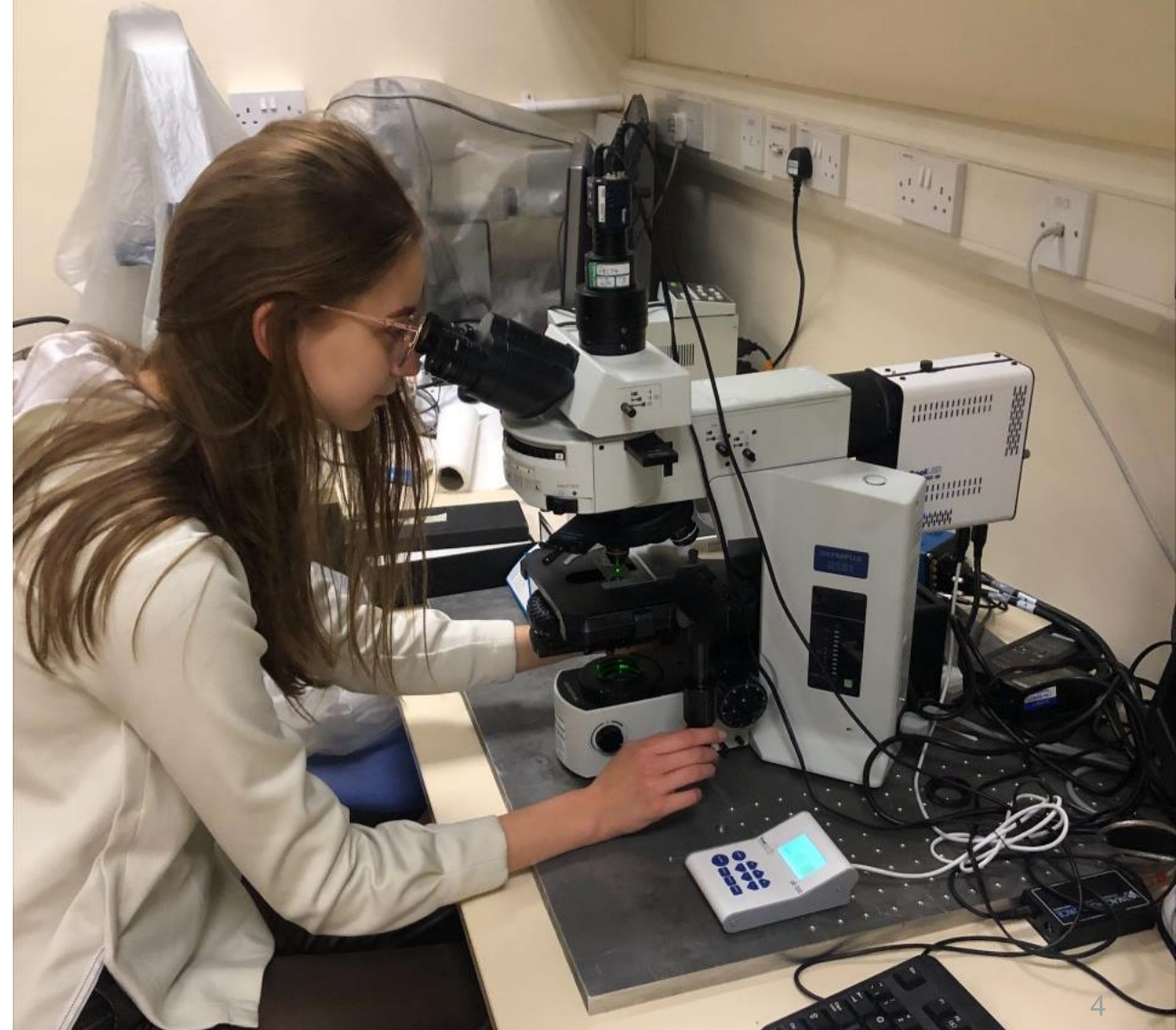


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There are 5 components to the programme:

1. A 6-week PAID research project, under the supervision of an academic.

The project topic can be selected from a list of pre-defined projects, or you can propose your own topic if you have the support of an academic supervisor.



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2. Bespoke Leadership Development training.

- 2 Leadership residentials at the beginning of the programme, with training continuing throughout the academic year.
- Develop your leadership skills and explore your values as a leader.



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3. Networking:

You will join a global network of fellow Laidlaw Scholars. This online community provides a space for scholars to communicate and collaborate.

4. Ethical Leadership Masterclasses



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The Laidlaw Programme is what made my university experience so much more fruitful and rewarding during the pandemic. It has opened up an **incredible amount of doors** and opportunities, and has enabled my research to have an active and positive impact.

—Maddy, Laidlaw Scholar at the University of Leeds

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What is the Leadership-in-Action component?

5. The Leadership-in-Action (LiA) component, a 6-week immersive project that usually takes place in the second summer of your programme.

Through the LiA, you will stretch your leadership skills, expand your cultural understanding and challenge yourself.



What is the Leadership-in-Action component?

- An experience in a new and challenging environment
- Working with communities in need
- Doing something which makes the world a better place
- Develops and demonstrates your leadership skills and attributes
- Overseas (only if you haven't yet had an overseas experience through the rest of the Laidlaw Programme)



What can I do as my LiA project?

For your LiA project, you can:

1. practically implement your research
2. work with a university-approved programme, or
3. choose from one of the centrally-offered Laidlaw partner projects.



Examples of partner organisations



How to Apply to the 2022 Laidlaw Programme

- Applications open on 1st December 2021, and close 28th February 2022. Apply on [MyCareer](#).
- Identify a research project: propose your own, or select from a list of pre-defined projects based in your faculty (list on MyCareer).
- Watch [this video](#) to find out more about self-proposing a research project.



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During my time on the programme I have been able to use some of my research funding to get student memberships to think tanks such as the International Institute for Strategic Studies and Chatham House. It has been a **genuinely life changing** experience.

—Nathaniel, Laidlaw Scholar at the University of Leeds

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How to Apply to the 2022 Laidlaw Programme

Create a short video, telling us which [Laidlaw value](#) you believe best describes you, and provide an example of when this has been impactful. The video should be up to two minutes in length, and you should be creative!



Any questions?

- For more information about the programme, or to find out when our drop-in sessions are, please go to [our website](#).



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