

# Equipment Sharing Fund FAQs



## Applying for the fund

Q. Who can apply for the equipment-sharing fund?

A. Any member of staff from one of the 8 Midlands Innovation universities can apply, including technical staff, researchers, PhD students, lecturers etc.

Q. How do I find out if a facility in the brochure has the right specs/equipment that I need?

A. You can speak to the facilities directly via the contact details in the brochure, or alternatively [email the TALENT project team](#) and we can facilitate this for you.

Q. Can I apply for funds to use equipment at my own institution?

A. No, we ask that the fund is used to gain access to the knowledge and technologies that are not already available at your own institution.

## Funding

Q. How does the hosting facility/institution receive the funding?

A. Payments are issued directly from the TALENT project. This would be as part of a standard purchase order process.

Q. Can students/research collaborators be included in the award?

A. Yes, however they must be studying/working at one of the 8 Midlands Innovation universities as well.

Q. Is travel, accommodation and subsistence funded?

A. No, please ensure you have expenses/funding approval for this at your own institution.

## Hosting the use of equipment

Q. How do I know if the facility I want to work with, agrees to me using it?

A. In order to understand cost of use for the facility in the application, we would expect the applicant to get in touch with the facility to discuss this with them. At that point, agreement to use the equipment upon a successful application should be confirmed.