

# Public Engagement with Research

## Summary of eligibility

1. Applications can be submitted by the nominee or by another member of University staff.
2. Eligible candidates must be current University of Aberdeen staff or postgraduate student.
3. Applications may not be submitted to a category the applicant has previously won.
4. Applications must demonstrate a substantive research-led approach to the public engagement undertaken. Examples may include:-
  - Engaging publics about research (e.g. talks, workshops, broadcasting and media).
  - Supporting communities (e.g. working with pupils and teachers, community groups, engaging with policymakers).
  - Inspiring the next generation.
  - Addressing societal concerns.
  - Fostering collaborative or partnership approaches.
5. Supporting evidence must include contributions within the past 24 months.
6. Applications that demonstrate creative and innovative approaches to public engagement are particularly welcomed.
7. Applications should indicate any learning outcomes and experiences achieved through the public engagement and successful nominees should be willing to share these.
8. Staff and students whose primary role is around public engagement and members of the Public Engagement with Research Unit at the University of Aberdeen are ineligible for this prize.
9. Application should select the category for which they wish to be considered.
10. Applications which focus on research areas in the biomedical sciences covered by the Wellcome Trust remit will be considered for the biomedical sciences prize. Applications do not necessarily need to be funded by Wellcome Trust. The disciplines within this remit can be found here <https://wellcome.ac.uk/funding>

## Summary of terms

1. The Principal's Prize for Public Engagement with Research is an annual award to reflect outstanding achievement in the field of research and researcher-led public engagement.
2. Nominations should be submitted by completing the online form linked at [abdn.ac.uk/excellenceawards](http://abdn.ac.uk/excellenceawards)
3. The decision of the judging panel is final