

Projects awarded funding by the Annual Fund Spring 2009

Project Title	Brief Description	Amount funded
Student Allotments at Cornwall	Organic, achievable and cost-effective vegetables whilst promoting health and wellness	£1,600
Mediation Service	<p>The project aims to provide mediation and dispute resolution scheme in student-student, student-staff and staff-staff dispute situations, within the University and local community, as a means of early intervention to decrease escalation to more serious outcomes such as harassment, bullying, interruption/withdrawal from academic programmes and legal action.</p> <p>The scheme would develop the number of trained mediators as well as support those already trained to be able to deliver training in the future making this project sustainable.</p>	£4,500
Student mentoring	Fund to develop a centrally organised student mentoring scheme across the Cornwall campus where students in the 2 nd and 3 rd years mentor students in the 1 st year from the same college. It aims to enhance them with support and encouragement throughout their student days. Mentors are rewarded through the Exeter Award.	£5,000
1:1 academic writing skills support pilot	As part of the student-led “Students as Agents for Change and Learning and Teaching”, Geography understood a project that aimed to investigate what aspects of academic writing skills students are struggling with. The outcome of the project is to make recommendations for support.	£5,000
Volunteer support fund	Engaging alumni who work in a range of professions to support students and other alumni to develop their careers. Alumni participate in careers fairs, mock interviews, the ‘Widen your options’ week, and seminar and panel meetings focusing on employment.	£4,000
Innovations in Physical Activity Challenge	A 2 nd year module in Exercise and Public Health (Sport and Health Science), based on Dragons’ Den, where students must come up with an innovative business idea that focuses on increasing the physical activity of the population. Students must also construct a business plan. 1 st and 2 nd places win education bursaries.	£5,000
Supporting leaders of the future (Business School)	Helps undergraduate students gain exposure to real world international leadership. Top potential leaders will be able to attend the prestigious “International Youth Leadership Conference”. Activities include simulation UN Security Council emergency meeting, International Criminal Court mock pre-trials, model European Parliament, group debates about international security, environmental sustainability, law and responsible leadership. There are also visits to foreign embassies and dinners with leading experts, diplomats, politicians and leading business people	£5,000

Law associates scheme	A scheme to develop effective, integral and sustainable relationship with members of the legal profession to make real contributions to Law at Exeter through workshops, lectures, mentoring and newsletters.	£1,100
New sailing boats	Purchasing desperately needed new boats for the sailing club on a rolling scheme. The club has over 90 members and is consistently in the BUCS top 10.	£5,000
Animal Behaviour student workshop and conference	To involve 150 undergraduate and postgraduate students in a conference, in association with the Association for the study of Animal Behaviour. This will help publicise the University of Exeter as a centre of excellence in this area.	£5,000
Excellence in Exeter awards ceremony	An important event for the University, Exeter schools, Exeter College, local business and the civic community, which aims to raise aspirations of the local community and highlights the achievements, latent and sheer determination of young people in Exeter. Young people are recognised for artistic, sporting, community, academic and vocational achievement.	£5,000
Falmouth Energy Week Conference	Organised by students on MSc Energy Policy and Sustainability course. It aimed to establish a forum at which progressive energy policy could be debated and explored in the UK. It aimed to bring together key speakers and enable the sharing of skills and knowledge and work towards a sustainable future.	£3,000
M&D room renovation	Part-funding for a project that aimed to renovate the music and drama room in Devonshire House.	£5,000
Exploring Gender: A series of speakers for undergraduate and postgraduate students.	Psychology and the Women's network aimed to offer talks to students to promote gender equality, to encourage women into academia and to provide female role models.	£2,000
Tandem Language Exchange	To set up a scheme where students find a tandem partner to meet up with and practice each others language.	£8,500