

Empower Community Challenge

Application Form 2026

(If you are submitting more than one challenge, please use a separate sheet for each one)



Empower Community Challenge 2026 invites postgraduate students from the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, the Faculty of Science, and the Faculty of Engineering & Design, to engage with local organisations and make a positive impact in the community.

Challenges can range from raising awareness, marketing and promotion, delivering specific events to service users, and more."

Students apply in November 2025, and we form them into groups of 3-4 students. Groups will then have from January to March 2026 to complete the challenge, followed by a Celebration Event in March, which we warmly invite you to attend

The aim of the challenge is to empower our students by developing their employability skills, such as team work, project management and communication. These valuable skills will enhance their academic studies, CVs and future careers. The challenge should also be mutually beneficial to the organisations involved by raising awareness and support amongst our large student population.

Preliminary Timeline of Events*

November	Applications Open
Application Deadline	12 th November
January	Successful Charities Announced
January	Launch Event for students
Early February	Students meet team members and learn about their challenge. Students contact their charity for initial meeting to understand more about challenge.
March (TBC)	Challenges to be completed
March (TBC)	Celebration Event

*Dates may be subject to change

If you would like to apply to be a part of the Empower Challenge, please complete the below form and return to volunteers@bath.ac.uk by **12th November 2025**.

Things to know before you submit your application:

- ALL fields are mandatory to fill out, please don't leave any section blank.
- Fundraising projects will NOT be accepted. We are predominantly looking for longevity and sustainability of projects. Examples:
 - Market research, e.g. guided by surveys or questionnaires
 - Social Media Campaigns
 - Branding design
- Please ensure you consider the length of the challenge; projects must be achievable by students within 6 weeks.
- Charities will be required to support the students throughout the challenge, please let us know in advance if there will be any periods of absence for the primary contact during the challenge.

Application Form

Name of your organisation

Address

Primary Contact

Telephone Number

Mobile
Phone

Email Address

Website Address

Secondary Contact

Telephone Number

Email Address

Name of your challenge

Please tell us a little about your organisation

Please provide details of your proposed challenge, including any sensitivities or special needs that we may need to consider. Please remember that the student groups will only have from the Second Week of February until the very mid-March to complete the challenge.

How will this challenge benefit your organisation and/or the people you support?

Can you offer any other assistance with the challenge (e.g. carers/helpers/staff support, fundraising guidance, risk assessment guidance, materials, equipment, etc.)?

Please return completed form to: volunteers@bath.ac.uk