

# The Subject Fund in Engineering



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We have endowed subject funds for 16 of the 28 courses offered by the College. However, Engineering is a glaring omission!

Despite being one of the largest subjects at Queens' (18 undergrads are admitted each year), Engineering has not yet been endowed.

**We seek to change this.**

As such, we are now aiming to endow an Engineering Subject Fund at **£400,000**, providing a total annual sum of around £12,000 to support both our undergraduate and postgraduate students by covering the cost of required study materials, attendance at conferences, research, and travel.

There are eight exceptional Engineering Fellows at Queens', including [Prof David Cebon](#), [Prof Richard Prager](#), who was Head of the Department of Engineering from Dec 2018 to Feb 2023, and [Prof Ashwin Seshia](#), who was recently elected to a Fellowship of the Royal Academy of Engineering. Since 2015, our brilliant Fellows have done what they can to ensure that as many students as possible receive the monetary support they require.

However, this model is unsustainable. An Engineering Subject Fund, in contrast, is a long-term solution to providing vital financial support for students, complimenting the first-class teaching that Queens' provides and enabling our students to excel during their studies and beyond.



2022 Engineering  
graduands with Prof  
Andrew Gee



*Although Queens' does not currently have an Engineering Subject Fund, since 2015 our undergraduates have benefited from a temporary arrangement made possible by more efficient, innovative College-based teaching, with the cost savings diverted to a financial support facility. The intervening eight years have seen a high demand for this facility, which we now wish to endow in perpetuity and extend to postgraduate students. An Engineering Subject Fund would help our students meet the costs of books, equipment, supracurricular courses and academic travel. Moreover, freed from financial pressures and the consequential need to seek paid employment during vacations, our undergraduates would instead be encouraged to pursue supracurricular projects and participate in social enterprises of a technical nature.*

**Prof Andrew Gee (1987, Fellow)**  
Engineering DoS, and Finance Tutor

**Please consider supporting this subject fund.  
We would be most grateful for your support.**

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