**Formal Expression of Interest for Foundation Degree Accreditation**

**Name of applying institution:**

**Name and job title of lead contact:**

**Email address of lead contact:**

**Programme/s seeking Foundation Degree Accreditation: (please list and state total number of programmes)**

*The Royal Society of Biology defines a programme as a coherent learning experience followed by an individual, the successful completion of which results in the conferment of a named HE award.*

*For each programme listed, please state the average annual intake.*

*For each programme list whether there are current graduates.*

**Subject streams applying under (tick all that apply)**

Molecular Aspects of Biology  Whole Organism Biology  Ecological and Environmental Sciences

**Application round requested:**

ASAP  1st September 2023

1st February 2024  1st September 2024

**If ASAP indicated, state the date you wish to submit a full application to the Society**

*Please note, failure to meet an agreed deadline may significantly delay your application.*

**State potential dates when a site visit can occur (please note that students must be present on these dates):**

*Provide potential dates during a 6 week period. First date must be at least 6-8 weeks after full document submission date.*

**Finance department contact name and address:**

**Name:**

**Email:**

**Phone:**

**Address Line 1:**

**Address Line 2:**

**Address Line 3:**

**Postcode:**

**PO number** (if applicable):

**Assessment fee**

The charge for the assessment of the application and site visit will be £3,500. This fee covers all expenses associated with the assessment and visit except for overnight accommodation for the assessment panel. HEIs will be required to book accommodation for the panel members in a suitable nearby hotel the evening before the site visit. The assessment fee will be invoiced following receipt of this application form.

**Foundation Degree Accreditation fees**

The fees for Foundation Degree Accreditation will be charged on an annual basis regardless of the number of programmes submitted. The table below is representative of fees charged in 2017; however the Society reserves the right to increase fees in line with inflation during the accreditation period.

The first year’s fee will be required to be paid once accreditation has been awarded and formally ratified by the Degree Accreditation Committee. Please note, if your application is unsuccessful the assessment fee is a non-returnable payment.

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| **Programmes** | **Cost per year** |
| 1+ | £     1,000.00 |

**Declaration:**

I confirm I would like to proceed with this formal expression of interest and that I am duly authorised to act on behalf of the institution named above. I understand that there is an annual charge to pay, over a period of five years, or length of accreditation awarded.

Name:

Signed:

Date:

Please return your form to the Accreditation Team via [accreditation@rsb.org.uk](mailto:accreditation@rsb.org.uk).