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University Staff Development Fund: Want to know more?

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- Funding criteria
- Application process
- Responsibilities
- Professional development
context
- Questions, queries, reflections



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➤ More information

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The screenshot shows the website for the University Staff Development Fund. At the top left is the university logo and name. To the right are navigation links for COURSES, STUDY WITH US, and CAMPUSES. Below the logo is a navigation menu with 'Learning and Teaching Academy' highlighted. The main content area includes a breadcrumb trail: 'home › learning and teaching academy › funding support › university staff development fund'. The title is 'University Staff Development Fund'. The text describes the fund's purpose: 'During each academic year, the staff development fund review panel considers around 70 applications and approves contributions towards over 50 colleagues undertaking accredited programmes of study including the university's taught education programmes. These contributions support colleagues in academic partner colleges and executive office and include funding for doctorates, masters, post and undergraduate programmes.' It also mentions that accredited programmes add significant value and that many recipients continue their professional development through schemes like ALPINE and the University Mentoring Scheme. The section 'Application submission dates for 2021/22' states that applications will be considered by the Staff Development Fund Review panel.

<https://www.uhi.ac.uk/en/learning-and-teaching-academy/funding/staff-development-fund/>



Applying to the university staff development fund

Step 1:
Check
criteria

Step 2:
Gain
approval

Step 3:
Application
Form

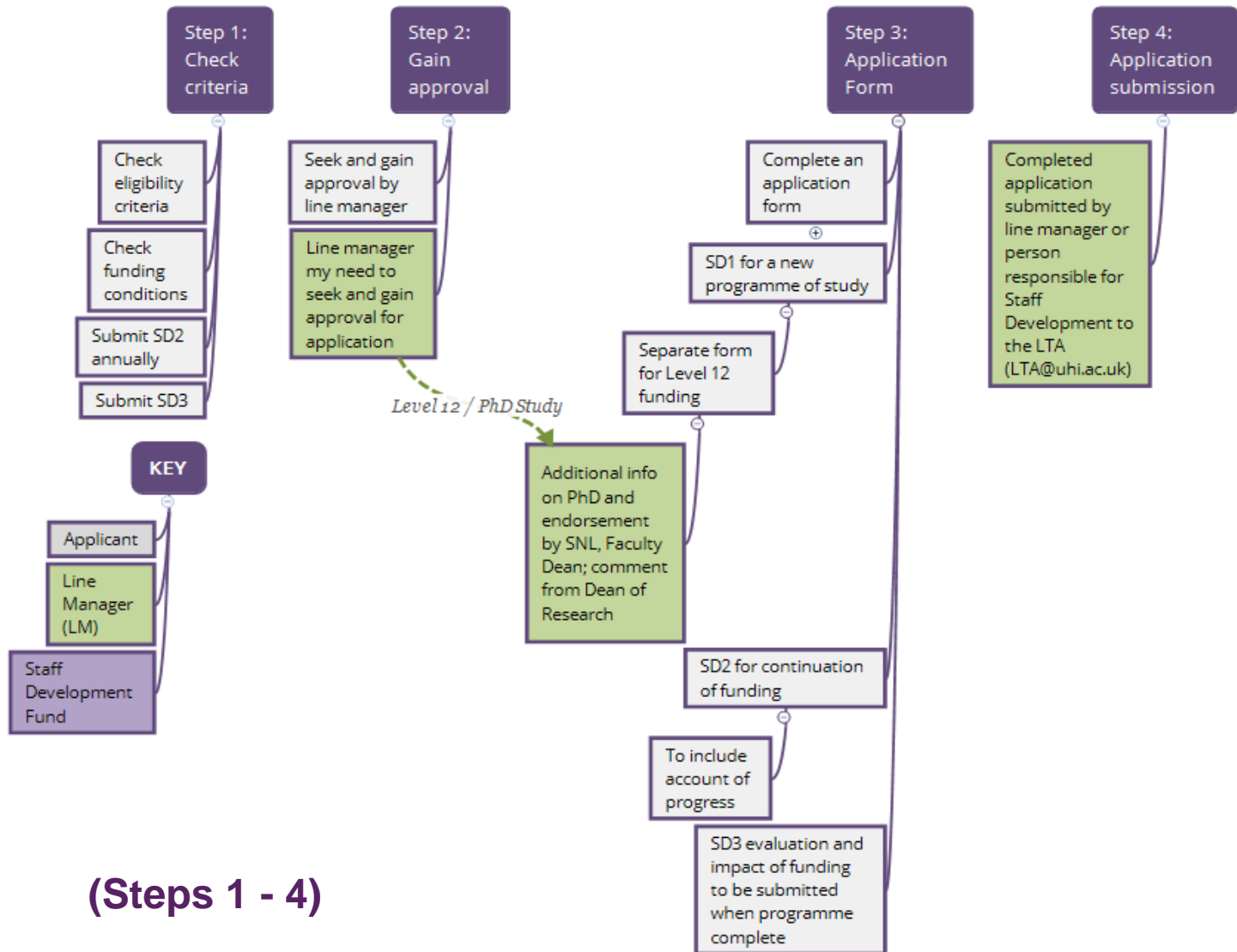
Step 4:
Application
submission

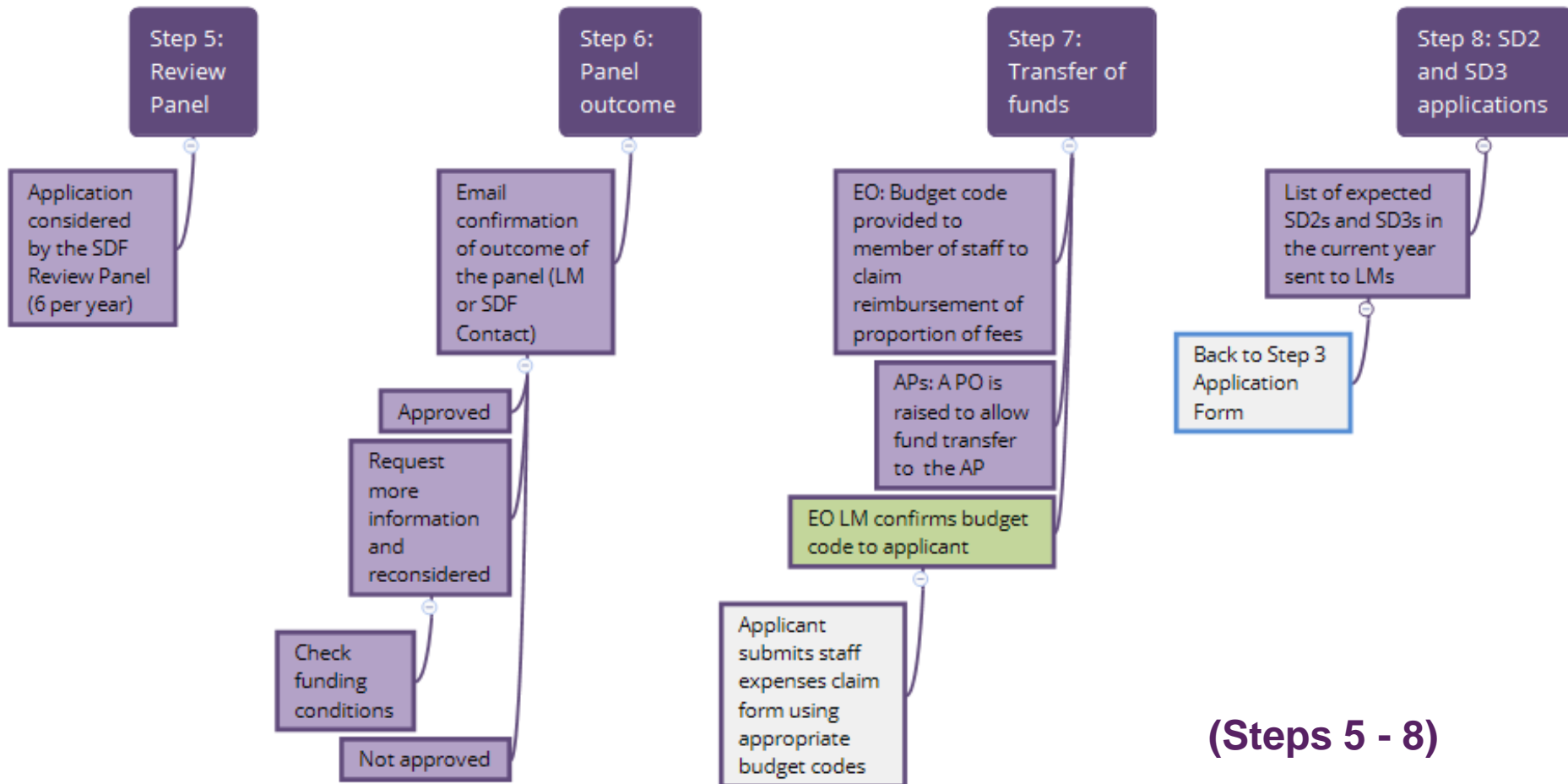
Step 5:
Review
Panel

Step 6:
Panel
outcome

Step 7:
Transfer of
funds

Step 8: SD2
and SD3
applications





(Steps 5 - 8)



Guide

A guide to the Staff
Development Fund.



SD1

For colleagues
applying for initial
funding support for an
accredited programme
of study.



SD1- Level 12

For colleagues
applying for initial
funding support for an
SCQF level 12
programme of
study, e.g. PhD
or DEd.



SD2

For colleagues,
applying for
continuation of
funding for the same
programme of study
(at any level)



SD3

For colleagues who
have completed a
funded programme of
study. The SD3 form
requests information
on the benefits to
professional practice
including anticipated
next steps.

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“The completion of this programme of study enhanced my ability to lead learning and to lead on improvements in my assigned curricular area”.

“Study of the relevant legislation has helped me to understand the 'why' of our policies and practices”

“By completing this course, I feel more competent in the choices I make for which teaching materials I plan to use. I plan the structure of the courses I teach better and have a deeper understanding of the skills involved in research and analysis.”



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Professional development linkages

- ALPINE
- Mentoring
- Scholarship support
- LTA webinar / events participation



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