

Over the last 10 years, the RSB has increasingly focussed on the policy aspect of education. Our policy messages, consultation responses, and discussions prioritise:

- Supporting the teaching workforce
- Supporting opportunities for practical science in schools
- Evidence-informed curriculum development
- Parity of esteem for technical, vocational and academic pathways
- Equality of access into the biosciences for all
- Support for excellent careers provision

RSB education policy encompasses a number of areas:

- Responding to consultations on education
- Bringing together STEM and education communities
- Collating evidence from science and policy sources
- Advising UK Governments and awarding bodies
- Communicating and sharing emerging policy news

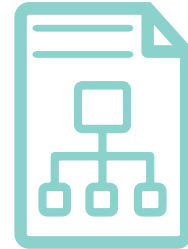
Curriculum Framework



2014 Curriculum Committee established by the RSB

Curriculum Committee aim: to gather evidence and build the RSB's position on a coherent framework for 5 - 19 biosciences education

The Committee seeks advice from researchers, educators, students, members and Member Organisations



The framework will inform future conversations on curriculum reviews with UK Governments, policymakers and examination boards

Support



The RSB supports **2** education Special Interest Groups

BERG | Biology Education Research Group

Meets two to three times a year to discuss:

- Member's own pedagogic research
- Funding opportunities
- Emerging policy and research areas



Members include academics, biology educators in schools and colleges, and representatives from other organisations

HUBS | Heads of University Biosciences

Convenes university educators and provides:

- Grants to support teaching and learning
- An early career lecturers forum
- Annual conference for members



HUBS also judges and awards the HE Bioscience Teacher of the Year Award for outstanding educators in higher education

Engagement



EPAG

Education Policy Advisory Group

The RSB meets regularly with other societies and organisations to coordinate and collaborate on education policy matters



RSB Member Organisations can join **EPAG** to share and inform priorities and policies



RSB is a member of the **Learned Societies Group** convened by the **Royal Society of Edinburgh** to advise on Scottish education policy

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