# Research Innovation Office

# Impact Through Innovation

# Applying to the Carnegie Trust

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## Collaborative Research Grants (CRGs)

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# Aims and background

- Support joint research projects bringing together researchers from more than 1 Scottish University;

- Funding priorities given to applications:

  - ❖ which show a strong collaborative element

  - ❖ from Early Career Researchers

  - ❖ which have a strong interdisciplinary element

  - ❖ fits into our University's strategic research objectives

  - ❖ Have an international perspective

- Grants of up to £50k available;

- Duration normally 1-2 years (3 max)

# Applicant and application eligibility

- Lead applicant and PI from each University  must be employed by a Scottish University, able to undertake the research and have contracts lasting for at least 6 mo. after project end.

- Applications must be signed by Head of Department and Research and Innovation Office

- Other non-Scottish universities and research organisations may be part of the consortium but not allowed to receive grant funding

# Eligible costs

- Directly incurred project costs only such as:

  - ❖ Research associate
  - ❖ Travel, accommodation and subsistence
  - ❖ Consumables
  - ❖ Minor equipment
  - ❖ Printing and postage
  - ❖ Dissemination costs  -publication or presentation at specialist conferences (max 10% of overall budget)
  - ❖ Other project research costs

*Ineligible costs: Directly allocated staff time and overheads (estates and indirects)*

| Cost type | Examples |
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| Salaries | Salary costs (including National Insurance and Pension Contributions) for administrative, research or technical support staff employed on the grant. This excludes the lead applicant's, principal investigators' and other collaborators' own time. |
| Subject and volunteer expenses | Participatory fees and travel for participants, subjects or interviewees taking part in the research. |
| Consultancy, specialist services fees | May include interpreters, scribes, transcription or other specialist services in support of research activities funded by the grant, including VAT where applicable. |
| Computing | Computer hardware, software, software licenses for computing equipment dedicated to the project, including VAT where applicable. |
| Equipment | Purchase of small items of equipment, including VAT where applicable. |
| Consumables and materials | Costs connected with necessary lab work; laboratory chemicals and materials. Costs associated with the production, reproduction and distribution of materials necessary to the funded research activities among collaborators, or subjects, interviewees and volunteers taking part in the research. |
| Travel | For the lead applicant, principal investigators and staff employed on the grant contributing to the research project, to attend research meetings, visit collaborators and facilities, undertake field work, visit libraries or archives. This excludes travel costs between the place of residence and the location where the research is undertaken when the latter is the recipient's or claimant's habitual place of work. |
| Accommodation and subsistence | Costs for accommodation and meals (excluding alcoholic drinks) incurred while conducting the funded research activities away from the habitual place of work and residence of the lead applicant, principal investigators and staff employed on the grant. Calculations for accommodation and subsistence may be made either by using the daily subsistence rates of the applicant's university, or by itemising the estimated costs of accommodation and meals. Applicants using their university's subsistence rates should note that where these rates (per diem) cover accommodation as well as meals, the cost of accommodation cannot be charged for separately in addition to the subsistence rate. |
| Collaborators' travel, subsistence and accommodation | May only include travel, subsistence and accommodations costs for collaborators from non-eligible universities or organisations to take part in project meetings with the Lead Applicants and co-investigators. |
| Catering | Lunches and meals for team meetings, research seminars or workshops essential to the advancement of the research project. |
| Fieldwork | Survey costs (including charges for online surveys); data collection; access charges for (digital) archive collections and databases, libraries, or research facilities; shipment fees for collected samples and any other costs associated with sample or data collection. |
| Dissemination activities | Costs arising from the dissemination, by the lead applicant and principal investigators, of the results of the funded project at research conferences or seminars. |
| Publication costs | Printing, preparation of colour illustrations for publication, charges (including Open Access costs) for publication of the research results in academic journals, monographs or edited volumes. |
| Other | Applicants may include additional cost items, giving a full description of, and justification for, the items required. |

# Application process

- Speak to your Research and Innovation Manager (RIM)

- Enter project onto [Worktribe](#)

- Work with RIM to create budget, review draft and submit application on Worktribe and to Carnegie

- Seek peer review

- The Lead Applicant should complete the electronic application form (from Carnegie website)

- 2 x copies of application form required:

  - ❖ Word copy (with typed names of signatories)
  - ❖ Signed pdf copy (typed and signatures)

- Deadline: **31st January 5pm**

# Reviewers perspective

- What they want to see:

    ❖ Originality  and significance of proposed research

    ❖ Feasibility (time and resources) and suitability of applicant

    ❖ Expected outcomes and outputs

    ❖ Overall value gained by consortium –ensure all members have complementary roles (not duplicate!)

    ❖ Cite targeted dissemination channels (be specific!) –mention why they are a "good-fit"

    ❖ How does your project fit into the bigger picture

# Write persuasively

- Clearly communicate the "so what"?

- Make a case for the urgency –why does this need funded now?

- Potential for impact beyond the PI's discipline

- Bring in the wider context

- Take an ambitious and innovative approach

- Outputs need to be disseminated

# How to pitch yourself as the PI

- Demonstrate /exemplify:

  ❖ Track record of research and publications

  ❖ Evidence of other experience –previous grants, conference organisation, involvement in networks etc

  ❖ Preliminary work feeding into project

# End Note

- Contact your R&I Manager as soon as you start thinking about applying for a grant

- Give yourself plenty of time

- Get your application peer reviewed

- Several ENU staff are Carnegie per reviewers and can help you!