

Emeritus Fellowships Guidance for Applicants 2021

The Leverhulme Trust Board, through its Research Awards Advisory Committee, is offering approximately 35 Emeritus Fellowships. The primary intention of the scheme is to support the facilitation, integration or completion of the applicant's own personal research output, rather than general further support for his or her research group or research assistants.

Eligible applicants

Applicants must:

- be resident in the UK and hold or have held a teaching and/or research post at a university or comparable institution in the UK at the point of retirement
- have retired by the time of commencing the Fellowship and no longer have a normal contract of employment. Applicants may hold a part-time position of up to 0.5 FTE
- have an established record of research

Applications will be considered from those who are still research active who have previously held an Emeritus Fellowship. However, an award is not immediately renewable upon an Emeritus Fellowship coming to an end. At least two years must have elapsed since the completion of the applicant's previous Fellowship before a further application can be made. A second award will not be given for completion of a project for which an Emeritus Fellowship was originally awarded. A second award should address a topic substantially different from that of the first award.

Eligible fields

Applications will be considered in all subject areas with the following exceptions:

- studies of disease, illness and disabilities in humans and animals, or research that is intended to inform clinical practice or the development of medical applications

There are two reasons for this: substantial funding is available from other sources for applied medical research; the Trust's priority is to support investigations of a fundamental nature.

Eligible costs

Research costs such as the following are eligible:

- travel (economy fares or similar) and subsistence away from home (for example, for essential visits to libraries and other sources of original material)
- consumables (office or laboratory)

- employment of a research/secretarial/clerical assistant to support (rather than conduct) the work of the applicant. Such requests require explicit justification
- photocopies/photographic expenses
- other essential research expenses

Ineligible costs

Please ensure you do not include any costs that the Trust considers ineligible in your application.

The following costs are ineligible:

- A personal allowance or remuneration for the applicant
- Institutional charges for accommodation
- Core funding or overheads for institutions. Note that the Trust does not make awards on a full economic costing basis. Please note, however, that a proportion of overheads may be recovered through the Charity Research Support Fund (CRSF). This is distributed as part of the block grant to universities from the relevant UK funding council.

Please ensure that applications do not include any ineligible costs.

Value

The value of a Fellowship depends on the nature and cost of the assistance sought, but the maximum total value is £24,000.

Duration and timing

Fellowships are tenable for between 3 and 24 months and must commence between 1 August 2021 and 1 July 2022.

Application procedure

Application materials will be available from 1 September 2020 from the Leverhulme Trust website (www.leverhulme.ac.uk). Applications can only be made via the Trust's Grants Management System.

Closing date

4pm on Thursday 4 February 2021. Candidates will be informed of the result of their application by the beginning of May 2021.

Application queries

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