Research Fellowships 2023
Terms and Conditions

A Fellowship may be taken up in any month between June 2023 and May 2024.
NB: For administrative purposes all awards must commence on the first of the month.

Research expenses (if over £10,000) are normally paid in two equal instalments: one at the beginning of the award and the other half-way through. Research expenses of £10,000 and under are normally paid in one instalment at the beginning of the Fellowship. Replacement costs are paid to the award holder’s university at the end of tenure upon receipt of a statement from the university of the actual expenditure incurred.

Research expenses are paid to the Fellow’s employing university. The award holder must complete and return the ‘Payment of research expenses’ form. The completed form must reach the Trust at least three weeks before the Fellowship starts. We will not be able to issue any payments until your form is received.

The Leverhulme Trust will only cover the costs of a temporary and/or hourly paid member of staff when covering replacement teaching costs. The University may not claim for the employment costs of a permanent member of academic teaching staff to cover the applicant’s teaching duties.

Requests to vire funds from one budget heading to another should be made in advance and in writing. Such requests require authorisation by the Chair of the Committee.

Any funds unspent at the end of tenure should be returned to the Trust. A time-only extension of up to six months can be requested to draw on the remaining balance after the formal end of the Fellowship. Such requests should be made in writing and will be considered by the Chair of the Committee. Permission to draw on funds for more than six months beyond the end of an award would only be granted in very exceptional circumstances.

At the end of a Fellowship a final report is due, summarising the work completed, indicating progress reached in comparison to the original proposal, including plans for publication or other outputs, and giving a summary of the costs incurred. An interim report is due at the end of the first year if an award lasts for 18 months or more. Report guidelines will be sent to award holders at the appropriate time or can be downloaded from the grant holders section of the Trust’s website.
Suitable acknowledgement should be made in any work that appears as a direct or partial result of the Fellowship and, where possible, a copy should be sent to the Committee.

The Fellowship may not be held concurrently with an award from a different source for the same purpose.

If a Fellow’s personal or academic situation changes during tenure of an award in a way which is likely to affect completion of the research project, and if such changes are likely to last for up to three months, then a grant holder may request that the award be placed in abeyance for a reasonable period. The Chair of the Advisory Committee will be asked to consider such requests.

Acknowledging the Trust’s support

The Trust requires that all grant holders acknowledge support received from the Leverhulme Trust in any form of media communication, including media appearances, press releases, book launches and conferences. Please remember to tag us in any relevant tweets @LeverhulmeTrust and include our logo where possible. The Trust welcomes the opportunity to comment on press releases. Please ensure that you read the detailed guidance at: www.leverhulme.ac.uk/grant-holders/logo