



The University of Iceland Research Fund (project fund)

Criteria for the allocation of grants

In accordance with paragraph 7, Article 75 of the Regulation for the University of Iceland, the University Council Science Committee sets the following criteria for working procedures and evaluation of applications regarding the allocation of grants from the University of Iceland Research Fund.

New applications shall be evaluated by the board of the University of Iceland Research Fund. All valid applications will receive a grant of 400 th.kr per year, additionally projects can receive 400 th.kr or 800 th.kr. This addition is based on the applicant's publication output and the below criteria. Grants are available for one, two or three years. A final report must be submitted at the end of the grant period. There is no need to submit a progress report at the end of each year.

Quality of applications and applicant's publication output

The board of the University of Iceland Research Fund shall evaluate applications to the Fund.

Parallel to the board of the University of Iceland Research Fund evaluation, the applicants' publication output is assessed using advanced points or publication points from 2020-2024 based on data from the Division of Science and Innovation.

The Science Committee determines the maximum grant amount each year and the number of grant categories into which applications can be placed, while decisions on individual grants is made by the board of the University of Iceland Research Fund.

The final ranking of applications may take the following into consideration:

1. New staff members (those who began their academic careers within the past five years based on their appointment to an academic position (assistant professor/research assistant professor) can be upgraded to the next highest category should they rank poorly due to their publication output.
2. Publication conventions. Applications may be moved up a category if the publishing frequency in a certain academic field is low compared to other fields.
3. Personal circumstances. Applications may be ranked higher if the applicant has been on parental or sick leave in the last five years.

Once the board of the University of Iceland Research Fund have finalised the ranking of applications, the allocation is announced.

If any members of the board of the University of Iceland Research Fund have connections to an application or applicant, these members shall leave the meeting while the application in question is considered (cf. Science Committee's statement on ineligibility).