Discretionary Grant

Value

Up to \$1,000

Application Deadline

June 15, September 15, January 15, March 15,

Competition Results

July 15, October 15, February 15, April 15,

Purpose

To support preliminary and/or small task-based research costs.

General Information

Discretionary Grants support the direct costs of research, such as:

- Manuscript Preparation: administrative support; preproduction materials (e.g., graphs, slides).
- Publication Costs: page charges for refereed journals; translation fee; colour printing fee; subventions; reprints.
- > Travel and Accommodation: support for travel and accommodation related to research.
- > Research Assistance: wage rates and benefit costs must be verified with Human Resources.
- > Equipment and supplies.

Ineligible expenses

- > Conference travel.
- > Teaching-related equipment and supply purchases.

Applicants may only receive one Discretionary Grant in a fiscal year.

New as of 2023

In order to increase flexibility, researchers may charge expenses retroactively for up to 2 months prior to the date they apply. While these grants remain competitive, and the risk falls on the researcher to make a research expenditure between intakes without prior approval, researchers will be permitted to apply for funds for research expenses incurred just prior to the scheduled intakes.

For example, a researcher applying for a Discretionary Grant in the September 15 intake can charge expenses dating back to July 15 to their grant if it is successful.