



Research Project Support Program Terms and Conditions

Eligibility:

- This grant program is open to university faculty, researchers, and students.
- Research proposals should align with the designated themes, as outlined in the program guidelines, and focus on one of the specified areas."
- Applicants must be affiliated with University of Technology and Applied Science, Muscat.

Funding Cap:

- The maximum funding for research projects is 1,000 Omani Rials. Exceptions may be considered for particularly compelling projects.

Application Submission:

- All eligible applicants must submit their research support applications through the E-learning portal. Please note that proposals submitted via email will not be considered in the evaluation process

Previous Funding:

- Research proposals that have received funding from any governmental or private source earlier will not be considered for this grant program.

Review Process:

- Research proposals will undergo a double-blind peer review process.
- Proposals will be anonymized and reviewed by independent experts in the field.
- The recommendations of the reviewers will be considered by the Evaluation Committee.
- The Evaluation Committee, in consultation with the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, will make the final decision on applications. Projects exceeding 1,000 Omani Rials will be referred to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor.

Deadlines:

- The deadline for application submission is November 30th, 2023, at 2:00 PM.

Project Commencement:

- Approved projects will commence on January 1, 2024.

Duration of Research Projects:

- Research projects funded under this grant program should be completed within the specified duration, which is typically one year from the project commencement date. However, extensions may be considered under exceptional circumstances.

Progress Reporting:

- Grant recipients are required to provide a single progress report on their research projects within 6 months from the project's commencement date to ensure transparency and accountability.
- Progress reports should be submitted through the dedicated Email ID provided for the grant program. Specific deadlines for reporting will be outlined in the reporting guidelines.
- The submitted progress reports will be evaluated by the grant management team to assess the project's advancement and adherence to the approved plan.
- In cases where additional support or modifications to the project plan are required, the grant management team will communicate with recipients to ensure the successful execution of the project.
- Progress reports should include:
 - Overview of project objectives and goals.
 - Summary of work completed since the last report.
 - Description of any challenges or obstacles encountered and how they were addressed.
 - An updated timeline for the remaining project activities.
 - Explanation of how the project aligns with the grant's stated objectives and theme.
 - Any significant findings or preliminary results.
 - Budget expenditure and financial status of the project.

Dissemination of Research Findings:

- Grant recipients are expected to share their research findings through university channels and academic publications. It is encouraged to present research outcomes at university events or conferences.

Contact Information:

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