

UKRI Harmonised IAA Call for Proposals

Submission deadline: 26th April 2023

The Impact Acceleration Account (IAA) is a combination of grants awarded to the University of Manchester by research councils. IAA funding supports the research and innovation ecosystem to develop wider impacts from research through fast and flexible funding for early-stage knowledge exchange activities.

IAA grants are available to The University of Manchester academics from AHRC, BBSRC, EPSRC, MRC and STFC. In addition, ESRC have recently made a new IAA allocation to the university. This has been aligned with the UKRI IAA and incorporated within this call, with a single point of application across the participating research councils. The UoM Knowledge Exchange Partnerships Team is pleased to announce the third Call for Proposals under the following mechanisms:

Relationship Development Scheme (up to 10K, open call)

Fostering new relationships between external partners and academic researchers, creating opportunities for collaboration and exchange of knowledge and skills.

Deadline: Open Call

[application form](#)

[quick guide](#)

Proof of Concept Scheme (up to 30K)

Support for the very early stage of transforming research outputs into commercial and translational opportunities.

Deadline: 26 April [application form](#) [quick guide](#)

Secondment Scheme (up to 60K)

Flexible support for secondments between the University of Manchester and partner organisations.

Deadline: 26 April [application form](#) [quick guide](#)

Eligibility

IAA projects are no longer required to be directly related to previous funded research, but must fall within the remit and priorities of one or more of the relevant Research Council(s):



Arts and
Humanities
Research Council



Engineering and
Physical Sciences
Research Council



Science and
Technology
Facilities Council



Biotechnology and
Biological Sciences
Research Council



Medical
Research
Council



Economic
and Social
Research Council

Multidisciplinary projects may be jointly funded by more than one research council as appropriate.

Eligible collaborators are UK-based businesses (including UK sites of international businesses), UK charities, and UK public sector organisations such as the NHS. Non-UK based businesses may be eligible where there is demonstrable evidence of the intention for inward investment during or beyond the lifetime of the project (e.g. establishing a UK site, job creation). If you have any queries regarding user organisation eligibility, please contact the [Knowledge Exchange Partnerships Team](#).

Do you have a potential project? The Knowledge Exchange Partnerships Team provide active support for the development of IAA submissions. You are strongly advised to contact us via kepartnerships@manchester.ac.uk at least 1 month before the call closing date on the 26th April.

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