

NOTE: PLEASE READ THIS CAREFULLY BEFORE PROCEEDING WITH THE APPLICATION

Any application which is incorrectly submitted will not be eligible for consideration

Aim of the Grant

The purpose of this grant is to provide research support to individuals and research and academic UK institutions.

Financial Basis of the Scheme

These grants are of up to £5,000 maximum in value and tenable for up to 12 months and are provided to cover the cost of the expenses including travel and subsistence arising from a defined research project.

In the event of no travel due to Covid 19 and the UK's national lockdown restrictions, applicants can use this money towards research hours.

Applicants are expected to travel to the Authority's Newport office for a day in March 2023 (exact date to be confirmed) to present their research to ONS staff/ relevant business areas. Applicants must also produce a final report for ONS staff/relevant business areas. No additional payment will be made by the Authority for this visit, all travel and subsistence will be covered by the grant.

Suitable Applicants

Grants are open to postdoctoral scholars (or equivalent) who are ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom. Applications require the approval of the applicant's employing institution.

In all cases, grant holders are expected to be able to disseminate the results of their research not only through publications, but also by presenting the findings of the research at ONS.

All applications should demonstrate that ONS funds are sought for a clearly defined, discrete piece of research, which will have an identifiable outcome on completion of the ONS-funded component of the research.

Funds are available to facilitate initial project planning and development; to support the direct costs of research; and to enable the advancement of research through workshops or conferences, or visits by or to partner scholars. Applicants may seek support for any combination of eligible activity and cost up to the overall limit of £5,000.

Eligibility

Applicants must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Grants are available for advanced research, at postdoctoral or equivalent level, in the fields of the humanities and the social sciences. **Postgraduate students are not eligible to apply.**
- Applicants must be ordinarily resident in the United Kingdom.

- Grants will not be made retrospectively: this means that the work for which support is requested must not have commenced before the grant is announced.
- Applicants must accept the Terms and Conditions of Grant (Ref: PU-22-0238), in writing, prior to any funding being provided by ONS.

Eligible costs

Funds may be sought to cover the direct expenses incurred in planning, conducting, and developing the research, including:

- project planning and development costs (cost of travel for discussion in the UK and overseas; initial workshops with potential partners)
- research assistance (based in UK or abroad)
- workshops or conferences to advance the programme of research (principally the costs of travel and maintenance for key participants)
- consumables
- specialist software

Resubmissions

ONS will not accept resubmission of a previously unsuccessful application.

Nominated Referee

Applicants are required to nominate one referee and ensure that the supporting statement from their chosen referee is submitted along with the application. Your referee has to be drawn from your employing institution. Before listing your referee on your application form, you should seek permission from them that they are happy to provide this.

An application cannot be considered for a grant unless the proposal and reference have been submitted on time.

PART 1: Eligibility Criteria

Primary and Secondary Subjects	<p><i>We will support applications for funding of up to £5,000 to enable research that covers the following areas:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• measuring the labour share of income, including consistency through time</i> <i>• measuring accounting prices, in line with Dasgupta's review of the Economics of Biodiversity</i> <i>• evaluating the productivity story in different industries following revisions introduced in Blue Book 2021 (including double deflation)</i>
Employing Organisation	<p><i>Please state your employing organisation. All applications must be approved by the employing organisation authorities e.g. research grants office, finance department, etc. The approving department will receive email notification once you have submitted your application. They will be asked to confirm the approval of your application.</i></p> <p><i>It is strongly recommended that the applicant maintains an open dialogue with the approving department at your employing institution as ONS cannot be held responsible for emails being caught in spam filters or not being received.</i></p>
Personal Details	<p><i>Name:</i> <i>Email:</i> <i>Contact Number:</i> <i>Address:</i></p>
Statement of qualifications and career	<p><i>Please give details of up to 4 qualifications in reverse chronological order.</i></p>
Present Appointment, Employing Institution and Department	<p><i>Please give details of your current appointment.</i></p>
PhD confirmation	<p><i>Applicants working towards a PhD, or awaiting the outcome of their viva/submission of corrections are not eligible to apply. Please therefore confirm that you have a PhD by answering yes. If you are an established scholar with relevant equivalent experience, but no doctorate, please select 'no' and indicate in the 'personal statement' field why you should be eligible for consideration.</i></p>
Personal Statement	<p><i>The maximum word limit for this section is 500 words.</i></p>

Publications, Unpublished Research	<i>Please list up to 6 relevant publications to date in reverse chronological order under publications; and any unpublished studies previously funded by any agency. Please give details of planned publication dates, or explain why the research has not yet been published. Assessors may take backlogs of publication into account.</i>
Previous Support Dates	<i>An application will not be eligible for consideration if there is a report outstanding on any previous research grant awarded by any agency to the applicant. Failure to follow this guidance will result in your application being withdrawn from this round of competition.</i>
Where did you hear of this scheme?	<i>This helps ONS to target appropriate resources towards the promotion of the scheme.</i>

PART 2: Research Proposal

Subject Area	
Subject	
Title of Research Proposal	
Abstract	<i>Please provide a short abstract summarising your proposed research. The limit is 200 words maximum.</i>
Starting date/ end date	
Proposed programme/ plan of action	<p><i>The proposal must;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• clearly specify the context, and research objectives of the proposed study,</i> <i>• describe the methodology to be used, and</i> <i>• set out a realistic research programme, describing the activities that will take place, and explaining how they will contribute to the achievement of the research objectives</i> <p><i>Applicants should give an account of their research which is complete of itself, and should not depend on material facts being provided by their referees, nor rely on special prior knowledge on the part of assessors.</i></p> <p><i>Where the bulk of funding sought is to finance a workshop(s) or conference(s), applicants should give a clear account of the overall research programme, provide a justification of the contribution of the event(s) to the achievement of the research objective, and give an account of the onward research planned.</i></p> <p><i>It is essential that applicants clearly state the reasons why funds are needed. For example, it is not sufficient to state that the applicant will visit a particular archive: adequate details must be provided of sources to be consulted, and the length of visit must be clearly justified. The applicant should briefly explain why alternative access to material, such as microfilm or internet access, is not appropriate.</i></p>

	<p><i>Grants are intended only for the planning and conduct of primary research. They are not available to cover the costs of spending time at another institution for purposes such as the writing up of primary research. All applications must clearly itemise the research programme to be undertaken at any location. Convenience is not a justification. If support is sought for visits between UK and overseas scholars, applicants should clearly explain the purpose of the meeting(s).</i></p> <p><i>The limit for the proposed programme field is 1500 words, and for the plan of action is 800 words.</i></p>
Planned research outputs/ plans for publication/ dissemination	<p><i>Under 'planned research outputs', please only state the type of output expected. Please give more detail about potential publishers etc under plans for publication, for which the limit is 500 words. In assessing value for money, the assessors may take into account the intended outcome as compared with the amount of money sought, although it is fully appreciated that some modes of research are more expensive than others and proposals will not be discriminated against on grounds of cost alone.</i></p>
Digital Resource/ Deposit of Datasets	
Research Leave Granted/ Permission Obtained	<p><i>If it is necessary for you to obtain research leave in order to undertake this research project, has this already been granted?</i></p>
Other participants/ Role of other participants/ Added value of collaboration	<p><i>Under 'Other participants' please give the names, appointments and institutional affiliation of any other participants in the proposed research. If detail is not known yet, please indicate numbers and status of people who might be involved. Please describe the contribution to the project to be made by other participants, citing any particular specialisms and expertise, under 'role of other participants'; and under 'Added value of collaboration', please provide any comments you wish to make on the particular relevance, timeliness or other aspects of the collaboration, and the benefits envisaged.</i></p>
Ethical Issues	<p><i>Are there any special ethical issues arising from your proposal that are not covered by the relevant professional Code of Practice? Have you obtained, or will you obtain, ethical approval from your employing institution or other relevant authority?</i></p> <p><i>It is not expected that any special ethical issues will arise that are not already covered by relevant professional Codes of Practice. If there are any special issues arising, but they have already been cleared by approval from a relevant authority, please state so.</i></p> <p><i>If any special issues arise and approval has not yet been obtained, please answer state so, and provide more explanation.</i></p>
Source of Funding	<p><i>Please provide details of other support given or applied for in connection with the current proposal.</i></p> <p><i>The ONS has no objection to its grants being held in conjunction with awards from other bodies, provided that there is no duplication of expenditure.</i></p>

PART 3: Financial Details

<p>Financial Details/ Justification</p> <p>*Please see above for a full list of eligible costs. If you include ineligible costs your application will be withdrawn from this competition.</p>	<p><i>Applicants should prepare accurate costings for the proposed research expenses, and should be particularly careful not to overestimate the resources required. Applicants are advised that competition for funds can be fierce, and proposals on the margin for a grant may have a greater chance of success if they are modestly costed.</i></p> <p><i>Costs should be clearly itemised and justified in terms of the research programme. If ONS is being asked to support only a proportion of the total costs, please explain this clearly.</i></p>
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PART 4: Equal Opportunities

<p>Equal opportunities</p>	<p><i>This section is optional; however, ONS would greatly appreciate it if you can complete the details to assist us in our diversity monitoring.</i></p> <p><i>ONS is committed to its policy of Equal Opportunity in the provision of its grants. Please help us to monitor the effectiveness of this policy by providing information concerning your age, gender, ethnic origin and disabilities (if any).</i></p> <p><i>This information will be kept separately from the rest of your application and will not be seen by those involved in making decisions in the selection process, including referees etc.</i></p>
<p>Date of birth</p>	

PART 5: Nominated Referee

<p>Referee</p>	<p><i>Applicants are required to nominate one referee and ensure that supporting statement from their chosen referee is submitted as part of the application.</i></p> <p><i>Your referee should be familiar with your project and able to comment on its significance and feasibility, and on your abilities.</i></p>
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Please submit your completed application form to economic_engagement@ons.gov.uk (Nathan Birch/ Emily Harris).