Public Engagement with Research Seed Fund

**Brief summary:** The Public Engagement with Research Seed Fund is part of the University's strategic plans to improve institutional support for Public Engagement with Research by providing financial support for researchers to develop, deliver and evaluate Public Engagement with Research projects and activities. It is supported by the University's Higher Education & Innovation Fund (HEIF).

**Key dates:** The call for applications is now open and will close on Friday 23 October 2020.

**Who should apply:** Applications are welcome from researchers that are new to, or experienced in Public Engagement with Research.

**Funding levels:** Funds available - typically £2k to £4k.

**More information:** [PER Seed Fund](#)

**Enriching Engagement**

**Brief Summary:** Enriching Engagement is a pilot grants programme open to Wellcome grant holders and awardees at the University of Oxford, to develop and deliver Public Engagement with Research projects.

**Key dates:** The next round of Enriching Engagement funding (round 3) opens 5 November 2020. Pre-application support will be available October 2020 - January 2021; workshop dates TBC. The application deadline is 21 January 2021. Round 4 will tentatively run in summer 2021, exact dates TBC.
Who should apply: *Enriching Engagement* is open to Wellcome grant holders and awardees (across all disciplines) at the University of Oxford, to develop and deliver Public Engagement with Research projects. These projects must engage the public with the research within the main Wellcome research award or grant.

Funding levels: Small Awards: £10k - £40k; < 2 years*. Large Awards: £50k - £100k; < 3 years*.

*or until the main Wellcome research grant ends; *Enriching Engagement* grants must be coterminous with the main Wellcome research grant.

More information: *Enriching Engagement* information page

**Social Science Division IAA grants**

Brief Summary: Offering £2,500 to £25,000 for academic-led impact and knowledge exchange projects, the *IAA awards* support engagement with all sectors, activities at every stage of development, and researchers at any point in their career. We also encourage collaboration with our O2RB regional partners: Oxford Brookes University, Reading University, and the Open University.

Key dates: COVID-19 related applications can be made at any time until further notice. The deadline for non-COVID-19 applications has been postponed until autumn 2020, with the exception of the *Knowledge Exchange Dialogues Scheme (Stage 1)*, which remains open.

Who should apply: The PI must be a current employee, holding an academic post, or PI on a research contract awarded competitively and intended to enable the holder to establish an independent research career.
**Funding levels:**
Stage 1: £2,500 max
Stage 2: £10,000 max
Stage 3: £25,000 max
Stage 4: £10,000 max

More information: [Impact Acceleration Account grants](#)

**TORCH Knowledge Exchange fellowships**

**Brief Summary:** Proposals are sought from Oxford researchers to facilitate new, or develop existing, relationships with external partners that further the reach and significance of research in all humanities disciplines at Oxford.

**Key dates:** Applications for two Knowledge Exchange Fellowships are open now with a closing date of Monday, 19 October 2020 (project completion date is 31 July 2021).

**Who should apply:** All applicants must be an employee of the collegiate university with an academic post until at least the end of the Knowledge Exchange Fellowship contract. Applicants must have the support of their faculty AND in the case of early-career applicants, agreement from their line-manager or Senior Tutor to be released from their current post to undertake the fellowship. To qualify as an early-career researcher, you must have submitted your doctoral thesis not more than five years prior to the start of the Knowledge Exchange Fellowship (pro-rata for career breaks and/or work part-time).

**Funding levels:** Up to £11k is available to support each fellow.

More information: [TORCH Knowledge Exchange Fellowships](#)

**Humanities Cultural Programme Funding**

**Brief Summary:** Launched in 2019, the Humanities Cultural Programme includes cultural events and public engagement activities over the years prior to the opening of the new Stephen A. Schwarzman Centre and is part of the public cultural and community programme in Oxford Humanities.


**Who should apply:** The funding stream related to this Open Call supports public programming that is led by University of Oxford researchers and/or students, or projects in collaboration with external partners.

**Funding levels:** Projects: up to £3000 (including £500 micro fund)
Visiting Fellowships: £10,000
Applications for funds of up to £10,000 may also be considered, however, these will need to be multidisciplinary and have large anticipated audiences.

More information: [Humanities Cultural Programme – Project Funding Call](#)