

Wellcome Trust Collaborative Award in Humanities and Social Science**Funder Deadlines**

Preliminary Stage Application:	7 th January 2020, 5pm
Full Stage Application:	24 th March 2020, 5pm
Interviews:	July 2020

An X5 costing is required at both Preliminary ('outline' X5) and Full Stages.

Important: Depending on the composition of the project budget, the fEC value may exceed the £250,000 threshold and require full checks by the Research Operations Office (ROO). You will need to ensure that you allow enough time for the 7 or 5 day ROO turnaround times if this is the case. fEC values under £250,000 will require a 1 day turnaround. Please see below for details:

ROO deadlines:

7 day deadline	18 th December 2019, 5pm
5 day deadline	20 th December 2019, 5pm
1 day deadline	6 th January 2020, 5pm

Please note that this scheme will be paused following this round (Jan 2020).

Project Team and Principal Investigator(s)

Teams should consist of two to six principal applicants who are investigating major health-related questions in the humanities and social sciences that require a collaborative approach. Applicants can apply for this award if they want to tackle an important and original health-related question that requires the combined knowledge and expertise of a team of researchers.

Collaborations can be within a department, across a university or spanning a number of organisations. Project teams can be international.

Principal Investigators should have a permanent, open-ended or long-term rolling contract, or the written guarantee of such a post. Additionally, applicants must have a PhD or equivalent and a good track record in their field, relative to their career stage.

Budget Limit & Categories

Collaborative Awards are for three to five years and are for up to £1,500,000.

This award does not fund the salary costs of the applicant, but rather will cover the cost of a temporary replacement lecturer post. The replacement post should be at a more junior level than the post holder and can be spread across the full period of the grant; awards will be made for up to 40% of the applicant's contracted time and up to 40% of the time of any other co-applicant with a permanent contract.

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The Trust covers the direct costs of carrying out the research, including:

- research expenses, materials and consumables
- research assistance, including PhD fees for postgraduate research assistants employed on the grant
- travel and subsistence and funding for collaborative activity and conference attendance (budget limits in place, refer to scheme guidance)
- computing, including recurrent costs dedicated to the project (e.g. software licenses)
- recruitment, advertising and interviewee travel costs for staff to be employed
- consultancy fees
- a contribution towards the cost of hosting a conference, symposium or seminar series
- public engagement costs where dissemination is a key activity of the project.

The Trust does not fund on the basis of fEC and information on this cost is not required at preliminary stage. Approximate costs are given at preliminary stage, across broad headings. Detailed costings, including a note on the fEC must be provided at full stage.

The Trust do not pay overheads except in exceptional circumstances, details of which can be found [here](#).

VAT is eligible, and should be added to applicable non-staff budgets at 20%.

Open Access (OA) – the University is provided with a grant by the Wellcome Trust to support their OA policy. The OA team will advise at the point a manuscript is uploaded whether it is eligible for funding. Costs for OA should not be included as a direct cost in the application. The Wellcome Trust policy can be found [here](#).

Additional Funding Available

[Research Enrichment – Public Engagement](#) funding is available to Trust grantees to help engage the public with their research. The Trust offers enrichment funding in the following three areas: 1) public engagement, 2) open research and 3) diversity and inclusion. Applications can be submitted to this scheme by grantees on confirmation of award.

Wellcome Trust Grants Tracker

Applications are made through the [Wellcome Trust Grant Tracker](#). Applicants must register an account the Grants Tracker prior to submitting an application.

Further information on the Grants Tracker can be found [here](#).

Application Process

At preliminary stage, when the applicant submits in the Grants Tracker portal, the application will go directly to the Wellcome Trust, without an institutional approval step. Prior to submitting the preliminary stage application, [a PDF of the application](#) and the X5 should be submitted to the ROO in accordance with the above deadlines. The X5 costing should be used to obtain the approximate costs requested, using the following details:

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Scheme: Standard 2%

If the value of the application is below £250,000 fEC, the ROO recommend checking applications against the departmental checklist for small applications, which can be downloaded from [the ROO website](#) in the 'Before you submit your application' section.

If invited to submit an application at full stage, changes from the preliminary stage are permitted. The Grants Tracker application and X5 will need to be approved by the Research Operations Office, in accordance with the ROO internal deadlines:

7 day deadline	13 th March 2020, 5pm
5 day deadline	17 th March 2020, 5pm
1 day deadline	23 rd March 2020, 5pm