



British Academy of Management Grant Schemes and Collaborative Research Awards: 2021

Frequently Asked Questions

If you have a question that is not answered here please contact the British Academy of Management (BAM/BAM) Grants Administrator at grants@bam.ac.uk

Applicant eligibility FAQs

⊕ Do I need to be a Member of BAM to apply?

Yes. It is a requirement that the Principal Investigator and all Co-Investigators in either sole or joint projects, must be BAM Members and maintain an active BAM membership for the duration of the project (Transitions 1,2 and MKE). For the Collaborative Research Awards, Principal and Co-Investigators must either be a member of the relevant Academy (ANZAM, IAM or SIMA) or BAM, and maintain an active membership for the duration of the project.

⊕ Who cannot apply to the Schemes?

BAM, ANZAM, IAM and SIMA Council and Management Board Members are not allowed to apply for the Schemes; however this restriction does not apply to the Doctoral Representatives on Councils.

⊕ Does the Principal Investigator have to be an academic?

It is not a requirement for the Principal Investigator to be an academic, but an academic lead is recommended as they are more likely to have the necessary experience to manage a research project.

⊕ Can I apply as an independent applicant?

Principal Investigators and Co-Investigators cannot submit applications as independent applicants. They must be based at an institution or organisation.

⊕ Can individuals from institutions outside the UK apply?

Applicants from outside the UK are eligible to apply to the BAM Schemes, provided that they are all BAM Members, or to the Collaborative Research Awards provided they are based in one of the partner countries and have membership of the appropriate Academy, whether BAM, ANZAM, IAM or SIMA.

Ⓢ Can non-academic organisations apply?

Yes, however, we recommend an academic as the lead applicant.

Ⓢ What is the definition used for determining when a PhD is awarded?

BAM considers this to be the date that the PhD certificate is awarded. Applicants who have not yet received their certificate, may apply as long as their PhD is confirmed as passed with no outstanding revisions, and in this instance, a certificate will need to be provided before being able to accept a grant.

Ⓢ How is the 5-year threshold for Transitions 1 grant eligibility established?

The 5-year threshold for Transitions 1 applicants is taken to be from the date of the certificate of the PhD, and excludes any time taken such as for parental or medical leave.

Application process FAQs

Ⓢ Can a Principal or Co-Investigator submit more than one application or be involved in more than one project?

Individuals can submit to only one of the Schemes offered by or in collaboration with BAM in any one year, whether as Principal Investigator or Co-Investigator. This applies to all 3 BAM grant schemes, and the 3 Collaborative Research Awards with ANZAM, IAM and SIMA. Previous grant holders cannot apply again to the Schemes until after the first grant awarded has ended and a satisfactory End of Project Report has been submitted to, and approved by, BAM.

Ⓢ Can I re-submit an application if I was previously unsuccessful?

If you have submitted an application in previous years, but have been unsuccessful, it is advised that the application is substantially different to the previous application. We will not accept applications that are materially the same as in previous submission rounds in terms of research concepts, proposed methodology or research questions

Ⓢ Is it possible to get an extension on the deadline for submission of applications to the Schemes?

No. Applications submitted after the deadline will not be considered.

Ⓢ Is there a limit on the number of applications that can be submitted to the Schemes from the same institution?

No, but an individual can only be named as a Principal Investigator/Co-Investigator on one application per submission round.

Ⓢ Can the application be submitted with one or more of the required authorisations omitted?

No. Applications that are submitted with one or more required supporting letters missing will be rejected.

⌚ Will I receive acknowledgement that my application has been received?

Yes. The Online Submission Website will send an acknowledgement email upon receipt of your application.

⌚ I am a previous BAM Grant Scheme holder; can I apply for another grant under the Scheme?

Not within two years of the completion of the previous project and you must have submitted a satisfactory End of Project Report and supporting financial information.

⌚ Can I submit a Word or PDF version of my application?

No, all forms must be submitted via the BAM online Grants Submission System. The PDF version of the application form available online is intended to provide an overview of the questions that you will need to answer.

⌚ When filling out the form are electronic signatures acceptable?

Yes. Typed names are acceptable, as long as the Principal Investigator confirms they have read and authorised the form. Supporting letters require a signature which can be electronic.

⌚ Will I be notified by BAM about whether or not my application is successful?

Yes. All applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application, whether or not they have been successful. We will not be able to give specific feedback on all applications due to the number of applications we receive.

⌚ What is the deadline for submitting an application to the Scheme?

The deadline for submission of applications is **17:00 BST / 18:00 CEST on Wednesday 6th October 2021** via the BAM Grant Application portal at <https://bam.grantplatform.com/>. Applications not received by the deadline will not be considered. You are advised to submit your application well in advance of the deadline to avoid risk of non-submission due to technical problems.

Finance and project FAQs

⌚ How many grants are available and what is the maximum amount I can apply for?

BAM is committed to funding a number of grants under these Schemes, dependent on the quality of submissions received. The maximum amount that will be funded under the Transitions 1, 2 and MKE Schemes is £4,000 per successful application. The maximum amount that will be funded under the BAM/ANZAM Collaborative Research Award Scheme is £6,000 for one project. The maximum amount that will be funded under the BAM/IAM and BAM/SIMA Collaborative Research Awards is £4,000 for one project in each Scheme. The costings provided in the application form must not exceed these amounts and may be lower. Please note the grant will not support full economic costing of projects including both salaries and overheads.

⌚ How long are projects expected to last?

We envisage all projects submitted to the scheme to last for between 12 and 18 months (18 months maximum). BAM is aware that the work enabled by the project may continue beyond the time of the award, but the project objectives must be achieved and the funding must be spent within the time period specified in the application. Any money awarded that is not used for the proper purposes of the project, must be returned to BAM at the end of the project.

⌚ How many Co-investigators can be involved in the project?

There is no limit on the number of Co-Investigators involved in a project. However, we would expect the number to be proportionate to the funding sought and the nature of the project.

⌚ Can the grant be used to fund my PhD?

No. The grant cannot be used to fund PhD research. The grant can only be used to fund new projects.

⌚ What costs will be covered and not covered by the grant?

Please see the Financial Guidance document for details of what costs the grant will cover.

⌚ Will BAM pay for one-off payments for data inputting, as long as the staff members are not being paid on an hourly rate or are on a contract? I.e. they are paid for the activity and not for the time.

Yes, but the costing and the administration of the payment must be clear. Please see the Financial Guidelines for further details.