

**FACULTY OF HUMANITIES
DEAN'S DISCRETIONARY RESEARCH FUNDING
MASTERS & DOCTORAL STUDENT CRITERIA**

Aim and Purpose of Funding:

This initiative is designed to stimulate research in the faculty and to increase research outputs, with an emphasis on creative ideas for doing this. The specific purpose of the funding is to ensure that MA and PhD theses do not end up on library shelves but are published jointly by supervisors and candidates for dissemination to a wider audience.

The criteria for applications are as follows:

1. The funds should be used to support initiatives not covered by either the JRC or the DVC of Research's Discretionary Fund.
2. Since the funding is limited, the fund will concentrate on short-term projects which could lead directly to research outputs.
3. Group research projects involving supervisors and candidates for local research activities will be given preference. Supervisors need to commit themselves to publishing jointly with their students.
4. Allocation of the funds will be against measurable research outputs typically an article in an accredited journal. Please provide details on the plans for your research output.
5. Local and International conference travel top-up may be covered by this fund if it leads to a publication.
6. Candidates must provide a coherent research motivation on the actual research activities to be undertaken and a detailed proposed budget on the expected expenditure for these.
7. Evidence of submission of at least one article must be provided no more than six months after the award.
8. All recipients must provide a report for the Faculty Board. The report should indicate how the funds were used, what publications were produced and whether the goals were met.