

Dear colleagues,

The deadline for submission of **NEW RESEARCH PROPOSALS** for funding by Faculty of Medicine for the Fall Cycle 2018-19 is **October 1, 2019 at 5pm.**

The deadline for submitting progress reports and **REQUESTS FOR RENEWAL** of proposals that have been previously approved for more than 1 year is **October 31, 2019 at 5pm.**

Proposals can only be submitted through the [Online Submission System](#) from **September 16 to October 1, 2019.**

PROPOSALS RECEIVED BEYOND THESE DEADLINES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

The MPP Research Fund for the expanded Fall 2019-20 cycle is **restricted to Instructors, Assistant Professors, and Associate Professors who were promoted in 2014 or later.**

Proposals can be submitted for a maximum of three years and the maximum amount an investigator may request is \$40,000 per academic year (*) irrespective of the number of proposals submitted and found eligible for funding. Please plan your studies accordingly.

**Investigators with a previous MPP ongoing grant with \$ X/year may apply for a new proposal as long as the budget does not exceed \$40K-X/year.*

Please refer to the “Procedures for Submission and Review of Research Proposals” and “Guidelines for Research Proposal Submission” available at:

<http://www.aub.edu.lb/fm/medicalresearch/Pages/ResearchCommittee.aspx>

Please visit the EQUATOR network site at <http://www.equator-network.org/> where you can select the checklist that fits your study design. These checklists may guide you in writing your proposal and increase the chances that your findings become publishable.

Principal Investigators are allowed to include only one co- Principal investigator on their proposals, if desired, but have the flexibility to include one or more co-investigators who will assist in their research program. Proposals should include clear descriptions of the roles the co- Principal investigator and Co-investigator(s) will have in the research proposal.

- **Attention:** If you have previously received a total of 3 years funding from RC (total of 3 years funding may be for one or more projects) then you should provide *evidence of having applied for extramural* funding other than the Lebanese National Council for Scientific Research **LNC SR** regardless of whether the outcome was positive or negative. Records of submissions may be subject to review.

A **final report** for the last funded grant is required from each PI that includes the research outcome (findings- publications, papers under review, international presentations...). PIs who do not submit final report will not be allowed to proceed with new application submission.

- For administrative and scientific issues, kindly contact Mrs. Hala Kaidbey at ext: 4915 or email: resdean@aub.edu.lb.

- For computer-related issues, kindly contact Mr. Abdullatife Daouk at ext: 4733 or email: ad15@aub.edu.lb .

We hope that this online paper free system will significantly simplify the submission process and accelerate the processing of research proposals.

You are highly encouraged to apply!

Regards,

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