

**APPLICATION FOR SEED MONEY  
TO CONDUCT SHORT-TERM RESEARCH  
ON LEARNING & INNOVATION  
AT MAASTRICHT UNIVERSITY  
(AY 2022-2023)**



The aim of this grant is to stimulate (junior) academic staff across UM faculties to conduct research on a topic related to Learning & Innovation. Here are some factors for applicants to consider:

- The research must be linked to research essential to Maastricht University and its students.
- The research must be related to at least one of the four Learning & Innovation themes.<sup>1</sup>
- The main applicants must be (junior) academic staff members from (at least) two different faculties who are new to this field of research or who completed their PhD no longer than 8 years ago at the time of the call deadline.<sup>2</sup>
- Junior teaching staff and PhD candidates are particularly encouraged to apply.
- Budget between €2,500 and €10,000 can be requested by the applicants.
- Projects that obtain the grant will be requested to present their outcomes at the annual Learning & Innovation conference, ResearchMeets, and/or through other means of social outreach to increase the visibility of the Learning & Innovation initiatives at the UM.
- The project must start in 2022 to receive funding.
- Submit your call to [learning\\_innovation@maastrichtuniversity.nl](mailto:learning_innovation@maastrichtuniversity.nl) by **17:00 on 31 October 2022 (Monday)**.
- Your application will be assessed by our Scientific Steering Committee (SCC) based on the responses you provide to the questions below.
- Results will be communicated by 1 December, 2022.
- We will conduct an eligibility check after receiving your application and prior to the actual assessment by the SCC. After the check, we may ask you to submit additional information or make corrections on the proposal as necessary, so please make sure that you continue to check your email even after submission.

**1. Project Title**

<sup>1</sup> The four pillars are: 1) PBL now and in the future; 2) international education; 3) human cognition, learning, and education; and 4) lifelong development.

<sup>2</sup> Extension of this term is possible up to 18 months, in case of parental, care, or sick leave.

## 2. **Project Members**

*Please note that the main applicants must be from two different faculties.*

	Main Applicant 1	Main Applicant 2
Name:		
Faculty/Department:		
Phone Number:		
Email Address:		
Date of PhD (if applicable):		
Applicant wishes to make use of an extension due to parental, care or sick leave:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, please provide the reason for seeking the extension and for how long:		

Other Project Members (Faculty/Position), if applicable:

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## 3. **Project Summary (max 100 words)**

*Please describe - very briefly - the main purpose and the goal(s) of the project.*

#### **4. Full Description of the Proposal & Overall Planning (max 1500 words)**

*Please describe the following aspects of your project:*

- *How does the proposal contribute to the four L&I themes?*
- *How does the proposal provide added value to UM education moving forward?*
- *How does the proposal fit in with the development/innovation of education?*
- *A clear and answerable research question(s) grounded in educational literature (please add resources list in Section 7 below)*
- *A clearly defined and well-designed methodological approach*
- *Are there clear deliverables and/or direct scientific output(s)? For example, scientific publications, presentations, input for research proposals, or a policy brief?*
- *Can the project be sustainable beyond our funding and is there a vision/plan for how your project can grow?*

## 5. Budget & Timeline (max one A4)

Please estimate the total costs of the entire project. The maximum amount of Learning and Innovation Grant is 10.000 EUR, to be spent over a period of one year. Note that if your budget includes hiring of student interns, **you must follow all relevant UM Guidelines**. Please use one row for each staff member, type of equipment, type of investment or type of material (e.g. data management costs). Additional rows (as many as you need) should be added underneath the bold print headings, listing all persons and items separately. You should not add headings.

Budget Requested from L&I				
	Description			Total
Staff		FTE	Total Months	
WP <sup>3</sup>				
NWP				
Total Staff				
Equipment				
Investments				
Consumables				
Travel				
Other				
Total Materials				
Total requested from L&I				

### Contributions 'in kind' (if applicable)

Contributing Party	Description	Estimated Value in Euros

### Contributions 'in cash' (if applicable)

Contributing Party	Description	Estimated Value in Euros

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<sup>3</sup> WP = Scientific staff. NWP = Non-scientific staff. Please also list the nature of the post (for example PhD student or postdoc researcher).

## 6. **References**

*Please provide references to the sources that you cite in your proposal.*

## 7. **Signatures**

	Main Applicant 1	Main Applicant 2
Name:		
Date:		
Place:		
Signature:		