University of Melbourne – Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Joint Research Workshops Grants Program
2022 Guidelines

The University of Melbourne (UoM) and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem (HUJI)’s Joint Research Workshop Grants Program (Program) has funded 13 workshops since 2012, increasing research collaboration and developing new partnerships. The program provides opportunities for UoM and HUJI researchers to convene workshops that exchange knowledge, foster new ideas, and encourage long-lasting research cooperation between the two Universities.

In 2022, the Program will fund 2 research workshops, with UoM and HUJI each hosting 1 workshop. The Program is open to applications from all research areas. Proposals that aim to provide opportunities for jointly awarded PhDs at a future stage are encouraged.

Funding
Successful workshops will be awarded a total of $20,000 AUD / ₪ ISL equivalent, with the funds divided as follows:

- Researchers from the sending institution (who will travel to attend the workshop) can request up to $15,000 AUD / ₪ ISL equivalent.
- Researchers from the host institution (who will hold the workshop) can request up to $5,000 AUD / ₪ ISL equivalent.

Up to two workshops will be funded in 2022, with UoM and HUJI each holding one workshop as the “host” institution and sending researchers to up to two workshops as the “sending” institution.

Each institution will pay funds directly to their researchers and applications should request funds based on the scope of the proposed activities, providing a justification for the costs. The PI is responsible for managing project funds and facilitating the sharing of funds with team members, where required.

Projects should be planned to start on 1 September 2022, with the funding period ending on 31 August 2023. Funds not spend by the end of the funding period will be transferred back to either HUJI or UoM so that unspent balances can be reallocated.

The summary below outlines the eligible and ineligible costs to be included in the budget, noting that UoM and HUJI reserve the right to determine the eligibility of costs.

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<td>• Travel costs for the PIs and other UoM or HUJI researchers named in the proposal, including graduate researchers. This includes flights, accommodation, and subsistence.</td>
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• Other costs associated with organising workshops and meetings, such as catering.

• Scholarships, tuition fees and honoraria.

• Conference attendance.

Scope of Program and Eligibility Requirements

Applications must be led by at least one Principal Investigator (PI) from UoM and at least one Principal Investigator (PI) from HUJI. Eligible academics may be the nominated PI for one application only. Previous recipients of the Joint Research Workshop Grants Program may not currently reapply to the scheme as a PI, but may participate as a co-investigator.

There is no limit to the number of academic staff members who can participate in proposals, with the involvement of Early Career Researchers (ECRs) and graduate researchers (PhD candidates) strongly encouraged. Interdisciplinary proposals, involving researchers from different disciplines and faculties, are also strongly encouraged.

External collaborators (including researchers in Australia, Israel, internationally, or those working in non-academic contexts such as industry or government) cannot lead an application but can be involved in the proposed workshop at their own expense, where the benefit of their involvement to the workshop is justified in the proposal.

Adherence to respective equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI) policies are an important feature of this scheme to ensure that all participants can do their best work, thrive, and succeed. Applicant teams should consider how they can take meaningful steps in their future collaborations to foster an environment that values, supports and respects a diverse range of views, knowledge and experiences. Applicants should consider EDI as it applies to gender, indigenous peoples, disabilities, career stages and sectors.

Melbourne PIs

Melbourne PIs must hold an appointment at the University of Melbourne that meets the following requirements at the time of application and for the duration of the award:

• Academic Level A6 or higher; and
• 0.5 FTE or higher.

Honorary employees whose primary academic affiliation is the University of Melbourne are eligible to lead an application if:

• Their primary employer has entered into an agreement with the University to support the Australian component of the collaborative activity; or
• They agree to participate in their own expense if they are otherwise unaffiliated. For example, they hold an emeritus position.

All applications must be endorsed by the PI’s Head of Department/School.

HUJI PIs

HUJI PIs must be an Academic Tenure Track Faculty member at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. They must be a full member of Faculty at the time of the application and for the duration of the award. Emeriti may not apply.

All HUJI workshop participants should be HUJI Academic Faculty members or students.
Selection criteria
The proposals will be assessed on a competitive basis, and subject to approval by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Research at UoM and the Vice President for Research and Development and the Vice President for International Affairs at HUJI, according to the following criteria:

- **Project design and rationale:** How clearly presented and justified is the basis for, and design of, the workshop? How does the proposed workshop assist with establishing new and emerging research collaborations between UoM and HUJI? If applicable, what are the anticipated benefits of involving Early Career Researchers and graduate researchers?

- **Collaborator complementarity:** What is the added value of the new or emerging collaboration? How does the proposed workshop combine mutual areas of interest and strength?

- **Potential impact:** What desired outcomes do the planned activities set out to achieve? What are the anticipated benefits of the workshop or its desired outcomes to local or international communities?

- **Capacity for future collaboration/funding:** What is the potential for this workshop to foster ongoing collaboration, and through what mechanisms (for example, joint applications to the UoM-HUJI joint PhD program)? How well does the proposed collaboration plan to access external funding?

All applicants will receive a joint outcome letter via email informing them whether their application has been selected for funding. PIs who receive a successful outcome must accept the award by return email.

Application Process
One joint application per workshop should be submitted via SmartyGrants by 3PM AEST / 8AM IST on **31 July 2022**. Applications should be written in English and for an audience proficient, but not expert, in the field. The application form link is: [https://ricunimelb.smartygrants.com.au/2022HUJIW](https://ricunimelb.smartygrants.com.au/2022HUJIW)

After the joint application has been submitted via SmartyGrants, UoM PIs will need to complete a Themis Grants Submission for Head of Department approval and email the Themis Submission number to res-devschemes@unimelb.edu.au

The application form asks for:

- The details of the HUJI and UoM PIs, including a short CV
- An overview of the workshop, including a summary of activities, planned dates and nomination of the sending/hosting institutions.
- A budget, outlining the requested funds for the workshops.
- A response to the selection criteria.

**Key Dates**

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**Reporting**

The UoM and HUJI PIs are the administrative contact for matters relating to the *Joint Research Workshops Grant Program*, including internal reporting requirements.

Successful PIs will be required to submit a final joint report within one month of the formal completion date of the project. This report needs to outline the activities undertaken, grant expenditure, future collaboration opportunities, and the future planned actions for the research program. The report will need to be submitted within six weeks of the project’s completion to the Researcher Development Schemes unit within Research, Innovation and Commercialisation (RIC) at UoM and the Intramural Funds Desk at the Authority for R&D at HUJ.

UoM recipients who fail to submit a final report may be found ineligible for participation in future Researcher Development Schemes.

**Publications**

Any publications (e.g. abstracts, articles) or dissemination of research (e.g. public presentations) arising from workshops supported by this Grant should acknowledge financial assistance received from the *Joint Research Workshops Grant Program*. Copies of the publications and/or information about the presentations should be included in the final report. The title for acknowledgement is “Joint Research Workshops Grant Program, provided by the Hebrew University of Jerusalem and the University of Melbourne.”

**Change of Investigator and Extensions**

If circumstances change – for example, the PI or a team member leaves the project – awardees must provide notification to the Researcher Development Schemes unit within RIC at UoM and the Intramural Funds Desk at the Authority for R&D at HUJI as soon as possible. Personnel variations that significantly impact the workshop will be subject to consultation and approval from both partners.

Extension requests must be made in writing to both the Intramural Funds Desk at the Authority for R&D at HUJI and the Researcher Development Schemes unit within RIC at UoM. Requests must be submitted at least one month before the end of the grant and include a justification for the extension, revised budget and updated timeline of activities.

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