**Application Utrecht Education Incentive Fund 2023/2024- faculty part**

Utrecht University attaches great value to educational innovation and wants to value excellent education and good teaching. To stimulate this, the Utrecht Education Incentive Fund has been in existence since 2013. Annually, two million euros are available to support educational talent and educational innovations, one million in the faculty compartment and one million in the university compartment.

These innovations can, for example, focus on of interdisciplinary education, diversity and inclusion, activating learning, didactics and testing, and honours education. This is an additional incentive for projects that transcend the normal evaluation and improvement cycle.

The Utrechts Stimuleringsfonds Onderwijs consists of two parts, a faculty part and a university part.

**Faculty component**

1. **Projects**

One million Euros is available annually for this purpose. Our faculty receives a portion of this funding based on student numbers (EUR 175,000 for 2023/2024).

The Bachelor's/ Master's Director submits one or more project proposal(s). In total maximum EUR 24,000 per programme. The Dean, in consultation with the Vice Dean and the Boards of Studies determines the final amount to be spent on. It is intended for FSBS projects between EUR 5,000 and EUR 24,000.

The amount will be used for projects:

* for a teaching team, both for the team’s teaching qualities as well as for the joint tasks in the curriculum;
* that strengthen ‘learning communities’ by deploying moderators for specific subjects;
* that improve the teaching: the greater the impact, the better;
* that make concrete contributions to the sharing of knowledge;
* that last no more than three years.

1. **Submitting a proposal**

By filling in this form you can submit a proposal for the fund’s faculty component:

* If you and/or your colleagues (which may include colleagues from other departments) have an idea that meets the above criteria, then fill out this this form before **1 March 2023** in consultation with the Bachelor's Director/Master's Director or Research Master. The Director will prioritise the proposals.
* **March 1st 2023**, all the proposals must have been submitted by sending an email to Jacqueline van Lier, J.J.VanLier@uu.nl.
* **Please note**: this deadline also applies to applications submitted as a follow-up to an already existing project (even if the request concerns only the ERP hours).
* On **March 8th** (and possibly the Board of March 22nd), the Board of Studies (Undergraduate and Graduate) will discuss the applications to check there is no overlap and/or possible combinations of project proposals and to agree on a final proposal for presentation to the Faculty Board for approval in April.

1. **ERP hours**

The ERP hours are linked to the projects on which incentive fund money is spent. <https://intranet.uu.nl/en/educational-resources-pool>

**Questions when filling in the ERP hours?** Do you have questions while filling in the amount of EMP hours? In preparation for the submission of an application a consultation with the faculty ERP coordinator Willemijn Schot (Educational Consultancy & Professional Development, [W.D.Schot@uu.nl](mailto:W.D.Schot@uu.nl)) can be requested to pay attention to:

* Have there already been similar projects elsewhere, in which relevant information can be retrieved, or where a combination of projects is possible;
* How do you put the project together in a 'project-based' way, with a strong reference to later implementation and dissemination.

Questions? Please contact Jacqueline van Lier, [J.J.VanLier@uu.nl](mailto:J.J.VanLier@uu.nl).

**Proposal Utrecht Education Incentive Fund 2023/2024 – Faculty component**

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| **Bachelor/ Master’s director** |  |
| **Name programme** |  |
| **Name Department**  *When filling in the name of the programme, the requested amount also goes to this programme/ department. In case of a faculty project, please indicate how the budget should be divided among the programmes.* | Methodology & Statistics |
| **Titel project** |  |
| **Project leader** | Gerko Vink, Associate Professor |
| **Project members** | *Anne Scheel, Assistant Professor*  *Oisin Ryan, Postdoctoral Researcher* |
| **Duration of the project**  *start- and end date; maximum duration 3 years* | *12 months (1 years)* |
| **Short description of the project** | *Please give a short explanation at number 1 tm 4* |
| 1. ***Purpose of the project*** | *This project proposes to run three distinct AI language models as potential `student candidates` through the Methodology and Statistics in the Behavioural, Biomedical and Social Sciences research master at Utrecht Universities School of Social and Behavioural Sciences. To highlight the timeliness and seriousness of our proposal and the potential impact our findings may have on our academic testing and validation, most of the content in Box 1 of this proposal has not been written by the project team, but has been generated by the chatGPT and Perplexity.ai language models. The respective recordings of the interactions with these models can be found in the links below:*  *ChatGPT conversation recording and transcript* |
| 1. ***Target results*** |  |
| 1. ***Dissemination***   *Would a different programme, department or faculty be helped with the findings/results of this project?* |  |
| 1. ***Consolidation***   *How do you intend to consolidate the findings or results of the project*  *in the department after it is finished?* |  |
| **Budget proposal**  *€5k – €24.000*  *1. Funds intended for extra overhead or purchase of IT- or research equipment cannot be submitted under this proposal.*  *2. Assigned budgets are not transmittable to subsequenting years.*  *3. Please consult your ‘afdelingsmanager’. If your proposal gets granted the teaching hours need to be allocated in the teachingload 2023-2024* | Total budget requested: €15,000   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | Gerko Vink | 60h | 3840 | | Anne Scheel | 60h | 2820 | | Oisin Ryan | 60h | 2940 | | Student assistant | 200h | 5400 | | Total | 380h | 15000 | |
| **ERP hours**  *1. Please indicate the number of hours for the first year (for the second/ third year please submit a new application using this form)*  2. *Hours from the Educational Resources Pool, are hours that are requested to have an educational advisor think along in the project.* | Yes;  80 hours |
| **Expertise related to the ERP hours**  *Please indicate what kind of expertise is required of the O&T department, for more information: Willemijn Schot (Educational Consultancy & Professional Development,* [*W.D.Schot@uu.nl*](mailto:W.D.Schot@uu.nl)*)* | *The ERP-related aim of our proposal is to design an educational workshop and/or SPOC module that incites critical thinking about AI-assisted education and focuses on learning gains and provides guidelines and proof of AI-unassisted testing means.* |