

THE STRATEGIC POOL FOR RESEARCH SCHOOL OF CULTURE AND SOCIETY

The School of Culture and Society has set up a research strategy pool to give staff the opportunity to apply for support for project development activities.

Applicants must have a tenured position at CAS (associate professor or full professor), or a continuing assistant professor position to be eligible. NB: funding for activities which primarily targets PhD students must be applied for through the Graduate School.

Upcoming deadlines:

1 June 2021 at 12:00 midday

1 December 2021 at 12:00 midday

Applicants can apply for funding for the following purposes*:

Type of grants	Max. application	Possible expenses
Special pool for writing retreats (following the Corona-lockdown)	DKK 10.000 (individual writing retreats) / DKK 25.000 (writing retreats for small research groups)	With this special pool the School wishes to support dedicated writing time for researchers following the Corona-lockdown 2020/2021. Writing retreats can be applied for by individual researchers or small research groups and has to be aimed at concrete writing tasks. NB: Writing retreats has to take place in during 2021.
Visiting scholars	DKK 100,000	Strategic visiting scholars for periods of 1-2 months (covering either salary + travel, or rent + travel). Please get in touch with Marianne Birn, HR (mbb@au.dk) regarding salary levels.
Extra pool	DKK 20,000.	Research travels (exceeding the regular research travel funding available for permanent staff), pilot projects/seed funding, workshops, small-scale field studies or other research related activities.

Center Pool	DKK 30,000	Seminars, workshops or short series of seminars within the research centres of the School. (NB: The center director must be main applicant or co-applicant).
Project development (major international applications)	DKK 30,000.	Funding to support major international coordinator applications (consortium meetings, writing seminars, consulting services, graphic facilitation etc.). Applications can be submitted for funding to cover administrative assistance for major international applications if they include a large number of partners.
Major conferences	DKK 60,000.	Deficit guarantee for conferences involving at least 100 participants.
Minor conferences	DKK 20,000.	Minor conferences can be co-financed with DKK 10,000 - 20.000.
Collaboration with the business community	DKK 20,000.	Funding to support project collaboration with external parties (pilot projects, writing seminars etc.).

The Committee will welcome applications below the max. amounts, but activities below 10.000 DKK must be applied for at your research programme, and will not be funded by the Strategic Pool. Furthermore, the Research Committee does not encourage researchers to apply for funding from different internal pools for the same activity. An event or activity may be funded by the Strategic Pool, **or the Research Programme.*

The school's research committee wishes to support innovative projects which have the potential to further academic breakthroughs, and prefers to fund projects which benefit several AU researchers. Invited visiting scholars must be senior researchers (associate professor or professor level) and are expected to contribute to the department which hosts them, and to be engaged in teaching activities (guest lectures, PhD seminars etc.).

It is not possible to apply for workload reductions via the Strategic Pool. Planned activities must be feasible within the applicant's research time (or during research semesters, when relevant).

Please note that the Research Committee will expect that CAS is not the only contributor to project related activities involving several partners.

The funds must be used for the intended purpose within one year of being granted – otherwise they will be withdrawn.

Applications should be sent to the research consultant (saelarsen@cas.au.dk) as a single PDF file, and must contain:

- **A heading** which clearly indicates the type of grant in question.
- **A brief description of the planned activities**, their academic potential *and* expected outcome (max. 1 page). Invited guests or partners in collaboration must be named in the application. Please indicate expected numbers of participants where relevant.
- **A clearly specified budget showing the distribution of expenses between financial years** and including a description of other sources of financing which have been applied for – or will be applied for). Please use the budget templates available.
(NB: Honorariums are not funded unless required for special reasons).
- **If relevant: a letter of support** from partners/guest researchers involved.
- **If relevant: a brief confirmation by the head of department** that the planned activities are in harmony with the applicant's other commitments (preferably just a brief email).
- **When applying for visiting scholars:** please include CV and publication list for the invited guest researcher.

Further questions can be addressed to the research consultant: saelarsen@cas.au.dk