Pre-announcement: UK-Ireland collaboration in digital humanities

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Apply for funding for digital humanities research. Your project must be large, innovative and multidisciplinary.

UK and Ireland-based researchers must collaborate on the project.

We expect the themes to be:

- digital humanities, emerging technologies and research practices
- digital humanities and social innovation
- digital humanities and cultural heritage
- digital humanities and the creative industries.

AHRC will provide up to £320,000 per project for UK costs, at 80% of the full economic cost. The Irish Research Council (IRC) will provide up to €270,000.

Your project must start on 1 August 2021 and last for up to 36 months.
Who can apply

Please note that attendance at the programme’s UK-Ireland digital humanities networking workshop (October 2019), or engagement with its research networking call, is not a pre-condition of application to this call.

What we're looking for

Specifically, the call aims to support a diverse range of projects that:

- build and consolidate new inclusive partnerships in the field of digital humanities between researchers and stakeholders in the UK and Ireland through collaborative research projects
- deliver innovative, interdisciplinary and integrated research projects that are appropriately tailored to the themes being addressed
- are genuinely collaborative and involve a balance of research organisations and stakeholders in both countries
- promote the sharing of best practice and knowledge exchange between institutions in the UK and Ireland, and clearly demonstrate the specific added value of enhanced collaboration in the digital humanities.

The projects should take innovative, interdisciplinary approaches to explore the anticipated broad and inclusive themes:

- digital humanities, emerging technologies and research practices
- digital humanities and social innovation
- digital humanities and cultural heritage
- digital humanities and the creative industries.

AHRC expects to provide up to £400,000 full economic cost (fEC), paid at 80% (up to £320,000), for the UK costs of each funded research project. The IRC will provide up to €270,000. Each award must start by 1 August 2021 and should have a duration of up to 36 months.

How to apply

The call is expected to be open through the Joint Electronic Submission system (Je-S) for applications from early January and to close in mid-March 2021.

Further information about the call will be announced on the UKRI and IRC websites in January 2021.

How we will assess your application
Outcomes will be announced in the early July 2021 following a joint moderation panel.

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**Additional info**

The research grants call is part of a collaborative funding programme between the AHRC and the IRC which aims to deliver a transformational impact on digital humanities research in the UK and Ireland.

The programme will exploit complementary strengths in the digital humanities in the UK and Ireland, leading to new partnerships and cross-disciplinary projects, building capacity and enhancing the integration of humanities and technology in digital humanities development.

It builds on the ‘UK-Ireland collaboration in the digital humanities’ scoping workshop that took place in Dublin from 22 to 23 October 2019, and the UK-Ireland Collaboration in the digital humanities [research networking call](#).

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**Timeline**

- **Early January 2021**  
  Opening date

- **Mid-March 2021**  
  Closing date
Early July 2021
Decision date

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