

UKRI Proof of Concept: Application caps for Research Organisations

The UKRI Proof of Concept (PoC) funding opportunity has received high demand with more than 2500 'Intention to Submit' submissions made.

To ensure applications are assessed in a timely manner and to maintain a reasonable success rate to minimise unnecessary work by potential applicants and their research organisations, we are implementing demand management measures as highlighted in the UKRI pre-announcement for this opportunity.

Research organisations will each be allocated a cap for the maximum number of full applications allowed to be submitted as Project Lead. This allocation has been calculated based on submissions to the 2021 Research Excellence Framework (REF), and specifically the FTE staff numbers included within each organisation's REF submission (see table below). This builds on approaches taken by the UKRI Cross Research Council Responsive Mode scheme and Future Leaders Fellowship scheme.

RO Groups	Number of FTE Staff Submitted to REF2021	Max Permissible full Apps/RO
1	>2000	4
2	1400-1999	3
3	1000-1399	2
4	600-999	2
5	400-599	1
6	<400	1
7	No submission to REF2021	1

Table 1: Distribution of maximum number of PoC applications per Research Organisation based FTE staff submitted to REF21

Eligible organisations who did not submit to the REF, including NHS bodies, and independent research organisations, are permitted to submit a maximum of 1 application to this funding opportunity. Only UKRI eligible research organisations can apply. Before applying for funding, check the current [Eligibility of your organisation](#).

These organisation-level caps apply do not constrain the ability of their staff to be involved in applications as project co-leads being led by other eligible research organisations.

We are inviting research organisations and potential applicants to work together to agree which full applications are submitted to this funding opportunity as Project Leads, up to the maximum number allowed for that organisation. We will be sending out more information about who has submitted an intention to submit to the research offices where we have received at least 1 intention to submit.

Research Organisations	Maximum number of full applications
Abertay University	1
Aberystwyth University / Prifysgol Aberystwyth	1
Anglia Ruskin University Higher Education Corporation	1
Arts University Bournemouth, the	1
Aston University	1
Bangor University / Prifysgol Bangor	1
Bath Spa University	1
Birkbeck College	1
Birmingham City University	1
Bishop Grosseteste University	1
Bournemouth University	1
Brunel University London	2
Buckinghamshire New University	1
Canterbury Christ Church University	1
Cardiff Metropolitan University / Prifysgol Metropolitan Caerdydd	1
Cardiff University / Prifysgol Caerdydd	3
City St George's, University of London	2
Courtauld Institute of Art	1
Coventry University	1
Cranfield University	1
De Montfort University	1
Edge Hill University	1
Edinburgh Napier University	1
Falmouth University	1
Glasgow Caledonian University	1
Glasgow School of Art	1
Goldsmiths' College	1
Guildhall School of Music & Drama	1
Harper Adams University	1
Hartpury University	1
Health Sciences University	1
Heriot-Watt University	1
Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine	3
Institute of Cancer Research: Royal Cancer Hospital (The)	1
Institute of Zoology	1
King's College London	3
Kingston University	1
Leeds Arts University	1
Leeds Beckett University	1
Leeds Trinity University	1

Liverpool Hope University	1
Liverpool John Moores University	1
Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine	1
London Business School	1
London Metropolitan University	1
London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine	1
London South Bank University	1
Loughborough University	2
Manchester Metropolitan University	2
Middlesex University	1
Newman University	1
Norwich University of the Arts	1
Nottingham Trent University	1
Oxford Brookes University	1
Queen Margaret University, Edinburgh	1
Queen Mary University of London	2
Queen's University of Belfast	2
Ravensbourne University London	1
Robert Gordon University	1
Roehampton University	1
Rose Bruford College of Theatre and Performance	1
Royal College of Art (The)	1
Royal College of Music	1
Royal Conservatoire of Scotland	1
Royal Holloway and Bedford New College	1
Royal Northern College of Music	1
School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS University of London)	1
Sheffield Hallam University	1
Solent University, Southampton	1
Scotland's Rural College (SRUC)	1
St Mary's University, Twickenham	1
Staffordshire University	1
Stranmillis University College	1
Swansea University / Prifysgol Abertawe	1
Teesside University	1
The London School of Economics and Political Science	2
The Metanoia Institute	1
The Open University	2
The Royal Academy of Music	1
The Royal Agricultural University	1
The Royal Central School of Speech and Drama	1
The Royal Veterinary College	1

The University of Bath	2
The University of Birmingham	3
The University of Bolton	1
The University of Bradford	1
The University of Chichester	1
The University of Cumbria	1
The University of East Anglia	2
The University of Essex	2
The University of Huddersfield	1
The University of Hull	1
The University of Kent	2
The University of Lancaster	2
The University of Leeds	3
The University of Leicester	2
The University of Liverpool	2
The University of Manchester	4
The University of Reading	2
The University of Sheffield	3
The University of Surrey	2
The University of Warwick	2
The University of West London	1
The University of Westminster	1
Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance	1
University College London	4
University College of Osteopathy (The)	1
University for the Creative Arts	1
University of Aberdeen	2
University of Bedfordshire	1
University of Brighton	1
University of Bristol	3
University of Cambridge	4
University of Central Lancashire	1
University of Chester	1
University of Derby	1
University of Dundee	1
University of Durham	2
University of East London	1
University of Edinburgh	4
University of Exeter	2
University of Glasgow	2
University of Gloucestershire	1
University of Greenwich	1

University of Hertfordshire	1
University of Keele	1
University of Lincoln	1
University of Newcastle upon Tyne	2
University of Northampton, The	1
University of Northumbria at Newcastle	2
University of Nottingham, The	3
University of Oxford	4
University of Plymouth	1
University of Portsmouth	1
University of Salford, The	1
University of South Wales / Prifysgol De Cymru	1
University of Southampton	2
University of St Andrews	2
University of St Mark & St John	1
University of Stirling	1
University of Strathclyde	2
University of Suffolk	1
University of Sunderland	1
University of Sussex	2
University of the Arts, London	1
University of the Highlands and Islands	1
University of the West of England, Bristol	1
University of the West of Scotland	1
University of Ulster	1
University of Wales Trinity Saint David / Prifysgol Cymru Y Drindod Dewi Sant	1
University of Winchester	1
University of Wolverhampton	1
University of Worcester	1
University of York	2
Wrexham Glyndŵr University / Prifysgol Glyndŵr Wrecsam	1
York St John University	1