

# UCC Research

## UCC's Research Support, Policy & Strategy Function

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## UCCFUTURES

Securing **Our Future** Through Research Excellence

*Once in a generation opportunity to provide tangible, impactful, solutions to some of the most important global challenges of our time*

**Goal 1:**

- Deliver **impactful research and innovation** that addresses global grand challenges in signature areas of excellence, through the *UCC Futures Framework*, resulting in a distinctive research reputation



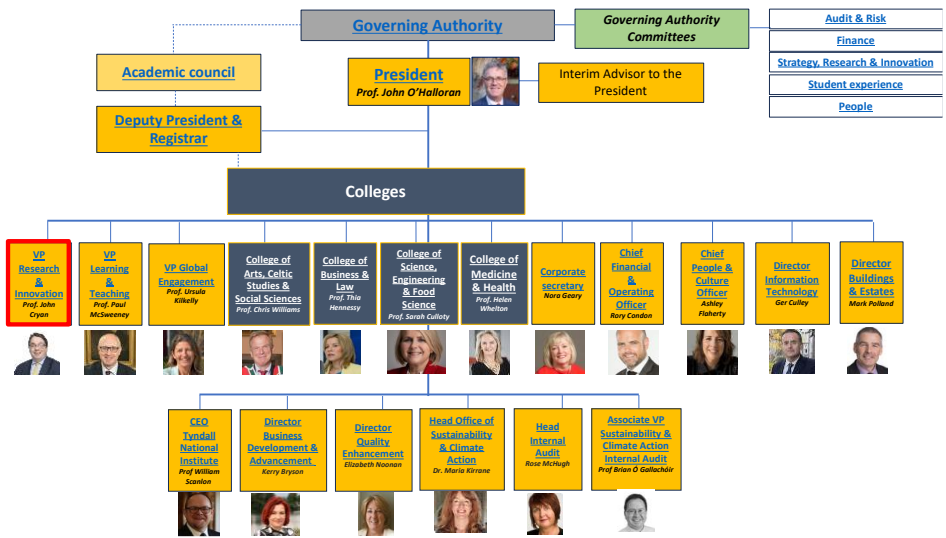
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# University College Cork – Organisational chart

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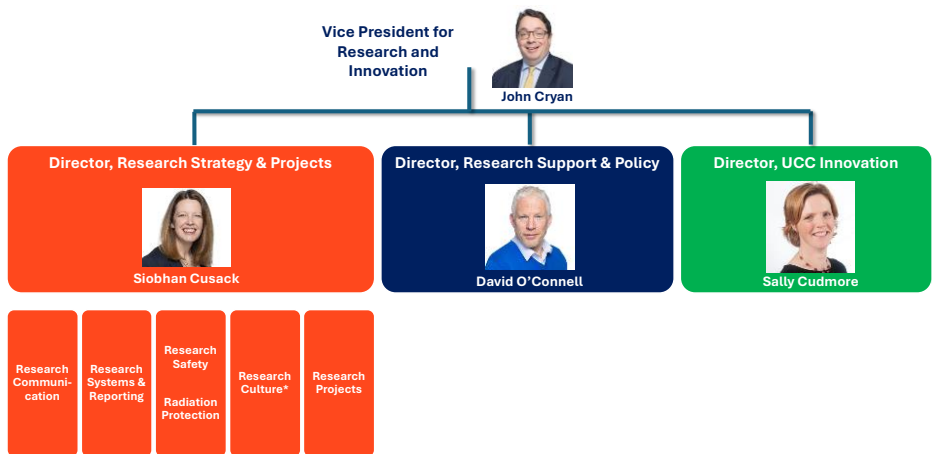
## Office of the Vice President for Research & Innovation (OVPRI)

- Three constituent Offices: **UCC Research, UCC Innovation & BSU**
- Support the UCC research community and our collaborators
- Agility in anticipating opportunities, influencing policy, and strategically positioning UCC for the future
- Proactive engagement with all external stakeholders
- Inter-institutional cooperation: Regional – National - International
- Raising the UCC research brand nationally and internationally
- *Securing Our Future* - UCC Strategic Plan (2023–2028) – available at: <https://www.ucc.ie/en/president/strategy2028/>



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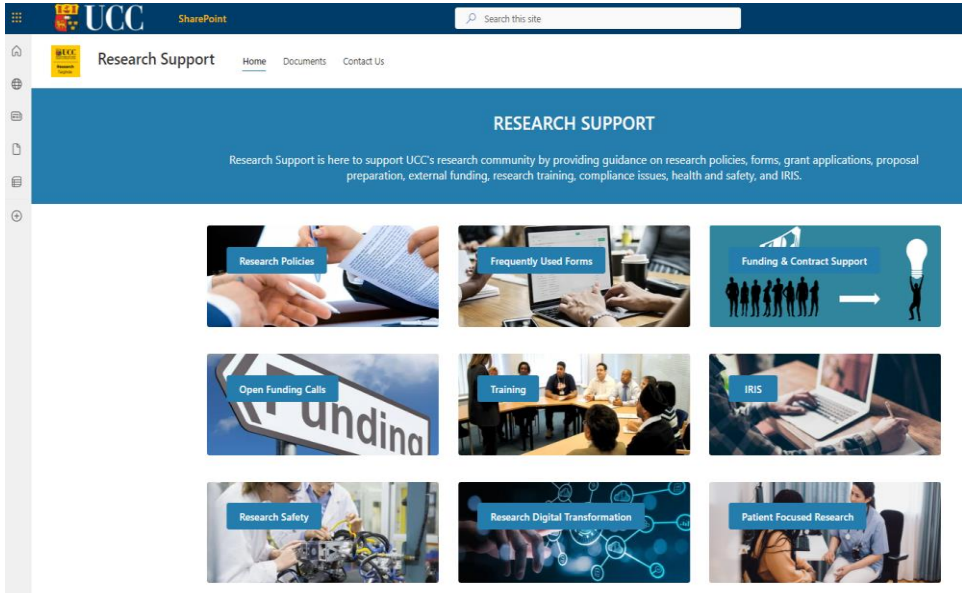
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Research & Innovation


*\*Integrity, Ethics, Engaged Research & Public Policy*

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### OVPRI - Research Support Team

#### EU Research Funding Support

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| <br><b>Dr Nóirín Uí Bhreithúnaigh</b><br>EU Research Support Team Manager (Capacity on leave)<br>n.ubreith@ucc.ie | <br><b>Ms Niamh Mundow</b><br>EU Research Officer (ERIC)<br>niamh.mundow@ucc.ie | <br><b>Dr Fiona Riordan</b><br>EU Research Officer (Cluster 1 & 3, COIRT)<br>fiona.riordan@ucc.ie | <br><b>Dr Richard Scriven</b><br>EU Research Officer (Cluster 2 & 4)<br>richard.scriven@ucc.ie |
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#### National Research Funding Support

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**UCC Research Funding Call Weekly Roundup**

Please see the links to the individual call SharePoint pages or email the *UCC Research* Contact person supporting the call for more information including internal deadlines.

Visit [UCC Research Open Calls SharePoint](#) for more information about other open calls, calls opening soon, and rolling calls.

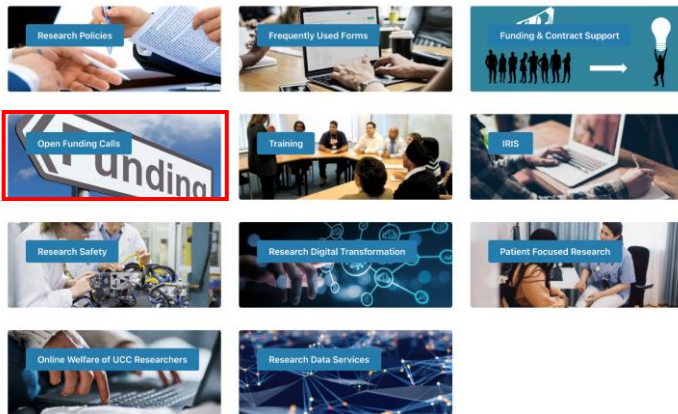
Please note that for Horizon Europe calls, Enterprise Ireland may provide grants for proposal development. Eligibility and deadlines for these grants will be flagged for applicable calls below.

**Recently Launched Calls**

The [Breast Cancer Now Project Grants](#) support excellent and innovative breast cancer research projects that meet at least one of the BCR strategic objectives. If project will be longer than 4 years, or require more than £400,000 in funding, the BCR research team will need to be contacted prior to submission. *UCC Research* budget deadline **21 April 2025**; Call deadline **29 April 2025**. Please see the [Charitable Funding Opportunities](#) SharePoint page for more information.

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# UCC Research Funding Support



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## Applying for Funding

- Identify opportunities:
  - Keep an eye out for our weekly funding roundup email Wednesday Afternoons
  - Checkout our [Open Funding Calls](#) SharePoint page
  - Contact *UCC Research* to meet with one of us about funding options
- When you have a grant call identified, contact *UCC Research* at the earliest opportunity
- Submit application in plenty of time!

All funding applications must be signed off by  
*UCC Research*  
Submit draft application & budget to *UCC Research*  
a minimum **5 working days** in advance  
of call deadline



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## Congratulations on your Award – What Next?

**Goal: Get a research account opened and get the project underway**

A. All research contracts/agreements must be reviewed before they can be signed and a research account opened.

B. The following documentation should be made available to the relevant Research Support Administrator (RSA):

- **Submitted Application**
- **Contract Assessment Form (Appendix C):** This document must be signed you (and any co-PIs), your Head of Unit, and the relevant Head of College
- **Contract documentation from the Funding Agency**
- **Patient-focussed Questionnaire (PFQ)**

The RSA will work with the relevant University Offices to coordinate the review of your contract/agreement

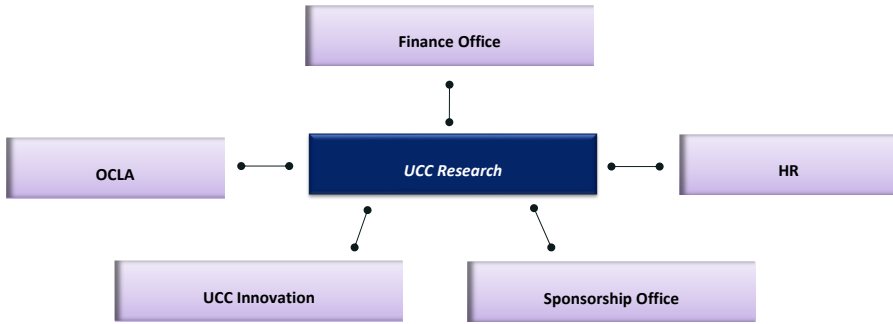
All forms available on Support section of the *UCC Research* website



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## UCC Research: Coordination of Application/Contract Review

### 'Single Point of Contact' Model



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## UCC Research Training



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**Research Training**  
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**Research Training @ UCC Weekly Bulletin**

The Research Training @ UCC Weekly Bulletin provides information on training available to UCC researchers and research managers organised by UCC Research & Innovation, HR Research and UCC Library.

Training sessions happening **THIS WEEK**

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| <p><b>Monday 3<sup>th</sup></b></p> <p><b>Closing Date for Registration - SPRINT Kickstart Programme</b></p> | <p><b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup></b></p> | <p><b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup></b><br/><b>11am-12pm</b><br/><b>Research Staff Recruitment Information &amp; Selection Committee Training</b></p> | <p><b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup></b><br/><b>10am-12:30pm</b><br/>Introduction to Open Refine<br/><br/><b>11am-12:30pm</b><br/>Audio Editing for Researchers</p> | <p><b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup></b><br/><b>11am-12pm</b><br/><b>Cardea Hub Information Session for Research Staff</b></p> <p><b>Closing Date for Registration - Creative Facilitation for Engaging with Groups</b></p> |
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**UCC Research Training**  
Research Skills Training Programme

| Title  |
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| Understanding EU Funding: Insights on How to Build an Effective Strategy |
| Pathways to Impact   |
| Communicating Research   |
| Fieldwork as a Research Practice: Principles and Case Studies            |
| Patient and Public Involvement in Health and Social Care Research        |
| The Entrepreneurial Mindset and Practice                                 |
| Open Research  |
| F.A.I.R. Data Management   |
| Research and AI: Responsible Use and Practice                            |

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| Writing a Narrative CV   |
| Consortium Management  |
| Navigating UCC when Managing a Research Grant: Contracts, Finance and HR |
| GDPR & IT Security   |
| Clinical Research  |
| Research Culture & Engaged Research                                      |
| Research Integrity & Ethics  |
| Preparing your Research Project Budget                                   |
| Education and Public Engagement via Research                             |
| Citizen Science  |

For further information about the programme, please contact Paolo Saporito ([psaporito@ucc.ie](mailto:psaporito@ucc.ie))

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# UCC Research Policy

## Research Data Management Policy

Version 0.6

14<sup>th</sup> June 2024



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# PI Forum

Research strategy, policy and processes

Share common issues

New staff

# Platform

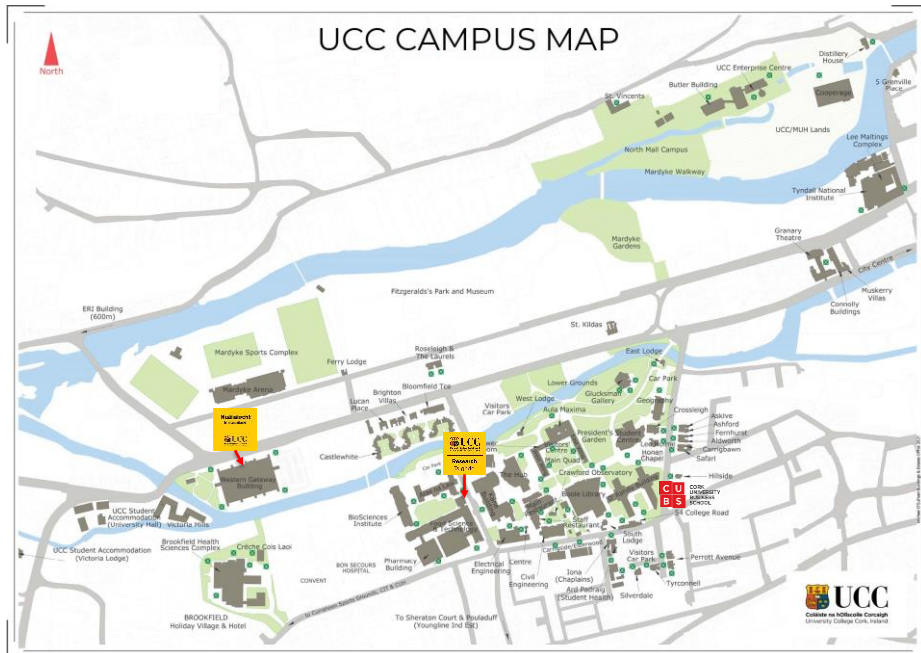
Support for networking and dissemination

Developments on the national and international research environment

Break down barriers



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