



UCC Research

UCC's Research Support, Policy & Strategy Function

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Strategic Goals

Goal One: Research and Innovation

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.



UCC FUTURES

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

What is UCC Futures?

UCC Futures is an ambitious new programme of research prioritisation coupled with an innovative academic recruitment strategy across ten indicative areas of strategic importance that will build a foundation for economic, societal and cultural resilience and prosperity.



Office of the Vice President for Research and Innovation (1)

- Three constituent Offices: UCC Research, UCC Innovation, and the Biological Services Unit
- 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) –
<https://www.ucc.ie/en/president/strategy2028/>

OVPRI Structure

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RESEARCH SUPPORT



Pure - UCC's Research Information System

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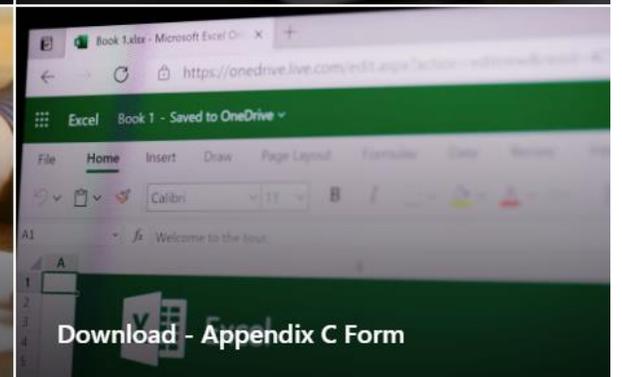
Open Funding Calls



ERC Funding Support



Post Award Process



Download - Appendix C Form

Weekly Research Calls Email



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**.

Note that **the final Horizon Europe Work Programmes 2026-27 have been adopted and are available to access here**: [Horizon Europe work programmes - Research and innovation](#). 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 HRB [Applied Partnership Awards](#) for 2026 will have a specific focus on Women's Health, with 4 priority areas identified including postpartum mental health, endometriosis, menstruation, and culturally sensitive healthcare/intersectional impacts (although projects in any aspects of women's health are welcomed). Projects must take a partnership approach, bringing together researchers and knowledge users to translate results into policy and practice. A knowledge user co-applicant and 10% co-funding commitment are required. €200,000 is available for projects of 12-24 months. *UCC Research* Eligibility deadline **06 March 2026**; Call deadline **27 March 2026**.

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Keywords: Early Career, Mid-Career, Advanced Career, Co-Funding

Research Ireland will be participating in the first Be Ready Joint Transnational call: [Advancing knowledge of host and pathogen dynamics to better combat emerging disease](#). Consortia for this call must include at least 3 partners from 3 of the different countries participating in the call, projects are up to 36 months in duration. A webinar for this call will be held on **Wednesday 28 January at 10:00 Irish Time**, please access [via this link](#). *UCC Research* notification deadline **30 March 2026**; Call Pre-Proposal deadline of **13 April 2026**. Please also see the [Irish Funded EU Joint Transnational Calls \(JTCs\)](#) SharePoint page for further information about JTCs.

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Keywords: Consortium

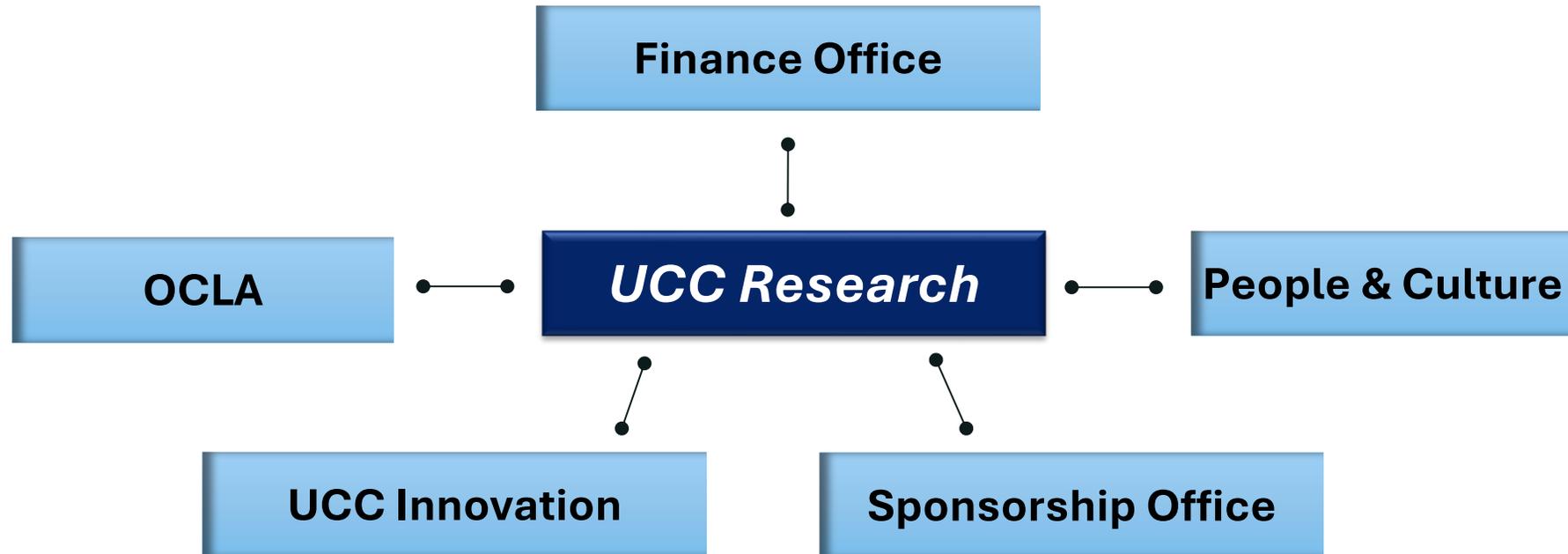
Applying for Funding

- 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.
- Budgets need to be approved by Finance Office – 5 working days

Post Award

- 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, relevant Head of College and the Director of Primary UCC Futures area.
 - 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

Coordination of Application/Contract Review



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Research Training

Title	Date
Understanding EU Funding: Insights on How to Build an Effective Strategy	26/02/2026
Communicating Research	12/03/2026
Open Science & Responsible Research Assessment	25/03/2026
Patient and Public Involvement in Health and Social Care Research	09/04/2026
Research and AI: Responsible Use and Practice	16/04/2026 12-1:30pm
How to Commercialise Your Research: IP, Patenting and Other Commercialisation Pathways	23/04/2026
Writing a Narrative CV	07/05/2026
Mapping Your Research to the U.N. Sustainable Development Goals	21/05/2026

FAIR Data Management	28/05/2026
How to Manage a Consortium-Based Research Project: Best Practices and Tips	10/09/2026
Navigating UCC when Managing a Research Grant: Contracts, Finance and HR	17/09/2026 12-1:30pm
GDPR & IT Security	08/10/2026
Clinical Research	22/10/2026
Research Culture & Engaged Research	29/10/2026
Research Integrity & Ethics	12/11/2026 12-1:30pm
Preparing your Research Project Budget	26/11/2026

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

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

TRAINING SESSIONS HAPPENING THIS WEEK				
Monday 16th	Tuesday 17th 1-2pm Staff Supervision Clinic: Supervision Pedagogy	Wednesday 18th 12-1pm Some of my best friends use spreadsheets	Thursday 19th 10-11:30am An Introduction to Special Collections & Archives: The What and the How 11am-12pm HR Research Clinic	Friday 20th 12-1pm Pure Support Clinic

Please see below details of upcoming training sessions.

UCC Research & Innovation

Dean of Doctoral Studies Staff Doctoral Supervision Training

The Dean of Doctoral Studies runs lunchtime sessions for doctoral supervisors. The sessions cover topics related to supervision. They are interactive and an opportunity to learn from each other.

Title	Date & Time	Info & Links
Staff Supervision Clinic: Supervision Pedagogy	Tuesday, 17 th February 1-2pm	Link to the session (registration is not required)

- Monthly online meeting
- Open all staff connected with research
- Discussion of research strategy, policy, and processes
- Developments on the national and international research environment