

# UK-Russia Travel Grant for Early Career Researchers

Deadline: 13 April 2020

British Council, operating in Russia as the Cultural and Education Section of the British Embassy in Moscow, is inviting proposals for travel grants available for early career researchers to undertake research visit in the UK or Russia, participate in research projects, build professional links with potential partners and gain new skills and knowledge.

## How to apply

The application should cover your professional needs and goals, with an outline of how you will achieve these with a travel grant.

Successful applicants will receive a grant of **£2,000** (before tax of 13%) to implement their plans.

## Applicant criteria

Early career researchers, within 10 years of receiving their PhD. Allowances can be made for career breaks. If working in a field where a PhD is not a pre-requisite for research activity, non-PhD holders with research equivalent to a PhD holder are eligible.

Applicants should:

- speak confident English (Upper-Intermediate/Advanced)
- be a Russian or UK citizen and hold a passport for foreign travel
- be able to travel within the following dates: 1 July 2020 – 31 January 2021

Candidates who already have a relationship with UK or Russia institutions or partners and did not receive grants in 2017-2019 will have preference. The Cultural and Education Section of the British Embassy in Moscow will conduct the selection process in line with equality and diversity policies.

## Examples of eligible activity

These include:

- participating in a short-term course or training provided by a UK or Russia institution

- attending a professional conference or forum in the UK or Russia
- a series of meetings with existing or potential UK or Russia partners
- a fact-finding visit or research trip for future or current UK-Russia research collaboration

Grants cover the following expenses:

- travel and visa: UK or Russia visa, medical insurance, international economy flights tickets, expenses related to travelling around the UK or Russia (bus, train, plane)
- accommodation in the UK or Russia (Airbnb or hotel)
- fees for short-term courses
- registration fees for conferences or forums

Please note that grants do not cover:

- meals and *per diems*
- in-town transport (public transport and taxis)
- purchase of items for personal use (medicine, clothes etc).