CALL FOR PROPOSALS FOR RESEARCH GRANTS 2020/2021

The Institute Research and Innovation Centre (IRIC) invites competitive research proposals from UMI Staff in any of the seven (7) thematic areas; (i) Public administration, public policy and governance; (ii) Human resource, ICT and knowledge management; (iii) Citizenship, inclusive growth and transformation; (iv) Public Sector Performance Management; (v) Entrepreneurship and business competitiveness; (vi) Educational Leadership and Management, (vii) Environmental and natural resources management (Detailed thematic areas read UMI Research Agenda got from www.umi.ac.ug) for funding in the 2021/2021 Grants. The proposed study should be completed within six (6) months from date of signing the contract. The main objective is to increase research productivity of UMI staff and breed ground for external research funding.

Categories of Grant Awards
UMI through the IRIC will fund and award research grants that fall below the upper limit of each research category as shown below.

Categories of Grants

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<th>S/N</th>
<th>Type of Research</th>
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<td>1</td>
<td>Individual Field Research Project</td>
<td>12,250,000/= (Twelve million two hundred fifty thousand Uganda shillings) only.</td>
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<td>Research Cluster Project</td>
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<td>Institutional Intelligence</td>
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<td>Interested author(s)</td>
<td>Also invited to submit their proposal / concept to any of the two books: (a) Savings and Credit Cooperative Organisation (SACCO) in Uganda; and (b) Boda Boda Management in Developing Countries. The proposal should include the book overview, statement of purpose, areas of contribution, state at least seven (7) proposed topics / chapters to be covered; provide detailed author writing guidelines with clear timelines; propose the book Chief Editor/Editor(s) with their affiliation and contacts; and proposed budget.</td>
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Eligibility

a) The UMI research fund is strictly accessed by researchers employed by UMI on full time.
b) Applicant shall not submit a research proposal on the same subject more than twice in a row and the proposal(s) that were rejected early should not be resubmitted by applicant.
c) Investigating groups are not eligible to submit applications if previously awarded projects have not been satisfactorily concluded.

guideline of the Grant Proposal

1) Content of Research proposal: The grant proposal shall not be more than ten (10) pages long on single line spacing Font 12, Times New Romans exclusive of the cover page and appendices (research instruments, budget, work plan, bio data). The structure of the proposal shall include; title, introduction / background, research problem, justification, literature review and methodology.

2) Dissemination Plan: This section requires that the investigators describe clearly the plan of sharing the findings of the study to UMI community and other research users. Proposed a list of three (3) journals in which you want to publish your work using your research budget.

3) Bio Data: The lead applicant is required to submit a brief personal profile (citation) that contains work experience, skills, research experience and qualification among others. Applicant portrait / pass port photo should also be included.

Submission & Deadlines

Principal Investigators (PIs) must submit their completed Grant Proposals by both hand delivery and electronically using email not later than April 15, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. The hand delivery is received by RA Komakech at IRIC Office Room 5 in Former Library while electronic submission should be send in Microsoft Words file as attachment to: kagwot@gmail.com / rakomakech@umi.ac.ug with copy to: jnatukunda@umi.ac.ug. Please follow these guidelines because any proposal submitted without following these requirements explicitly shall be considered as ‘Incomplete Application’ hence shall not be evaluated. Send your questions to the same address and notification shall also be done by email except in extreme cases where telephone may be used.

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