

CALL FOR RESEARCH PROJECT PROPOSALS (2024-2025)

Center for Research and Training (CRT) Uttara University

Date: 25 April 2024

Dear Faculty Members,

The Center for Research and Training (CRT) at Uttara University is excited to announce the call for research project proposals for the academic year 2024-2025. We invite full-time faculty members of Uttara University to submit their innovative research ideas for funding consideration. Please review the following guidelines carefully before preparing and submitting your proposals:

Project Period: July 2024 – March 2025 (9 Months)

Deadline for Submission of Project Proposals: 25 May 2024

Maximum Grant per Research Project:

- TK.50,000 (Fifty Thousand) for the School of Science and Engineering and the School of Civil, Environment, and Industrial Engineering
- Tk.40,000 (Forty Thousand) for other Schools

Eligibility Criteria:

- Full-time faculty members of Uttara University are eligible to apply as principal investigators.
- Researchers from other universities in research collaboration with Uttara University are eligible to be included as co-investigators.
- Faculty on contract or probation, as well as part-time/adjunct faculty, are ineligible. However, on special grounds, part-time/adjunct faculty members are permissible to take part as co-investigators with proper justification.

Project Proposal Guidelines:

- The proposal should include a title, an abstract, research objectives, methodology, expected outcomes, timeline, and budget.
- The proposal should not exceed 10 pages.
- Proposals must be submitted as Word documents via email to crt@uttarauniversity.edu.bd.
- Proposals should not have received funding from any other agency and should not have been submitted elsewhere for funding purposes.

Research Collaboration:

- CRT's research grant may be applied for collaborative projects, provided that a Uttara University teacher serves as the Principal Researcher, and collaborators/partners are from reputable organizations and institutions.
- Collaborators' contributions to the project should be clearly defined.

Maximum Involvement:

- A faculty member may not lead more than two (2) projects as a principal researcher.
- Principal researchers may also serve as Associate Researchers in other projects.

Honorarium:

- Principal Researchers and Associate Researchers are entitled to an honorarium of twenty (20) percent and fifteen (15) percent of the approved research grant, respectively.

Faculty Eligibility:

- Faculty members with at least one year of teaching experience at Uttara University are eligible to submit research proposals.

Review Process:

Proposals will undergo a two-stage review process, consisting of initial peer review and proposal defense.

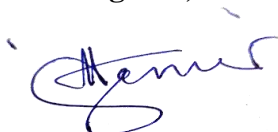
- **Initial Peer Review:** Proposals will be evaluated by experts in the field based on criteria such as originality, significance, methodology, feasibility, and potential impact. Selected proposals will proceed to the next stage.
- **Proposal Defense:** Authors of selected proposals will be invited to participate in a proposal defense session. During the defense, authors will have the opportunity to present and defend their proposals in front of a review panel composed of distinguished researchers and practitioners. The defense will include a presentation followed by a question-and-answer session. Final decisions will be based on the evaluation of the written proposal and the outcome of the defense.

Declaration of Commitment:

- The faculty member submitting the proposal must declare their commitment to remain at the university until project completion. Failure to do so will require refunding of the CRT funds received.

We look forward to receiving your innovative research proposals and contributing to the advancement of knowledge at Uttara University.

Warm regards,



Professor Dr. Md. Mijanur Rahman

Director

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