

## OUTREACH ›

# Research scholar program

The Research Scholar Program aims to support early-career professors who are pursuing research in fields relevant to Google.

The Research Scholar Program provides unrestricted gifts to support research at institutions around the world, and is focused on funding world-class research conducted by early-career professors.

[See research scholar program recipients](#)

## PROGRAM STATUS

**Applications are now open.**

Submit by 11:59:59pm UTC-12 (AoE) Thursday, November 30, 2023. Notification of decisions will be announced by email in April 2024.

[Submit application](#)

## Award information

We encourage submissions from professors globally who are teaching at universities and meet the eligibility requirements. It is our hope that this program will help develop collaborations with new professors and encourage the formation of long-term relationships.

Awards are disbursed as unrestricted gifts to the university and are not intended for overhead or indirect costs. They are intended for use during the academic year in which the award is provided to support the professor's research efforts.

## Eligibility criteria

**How do I apply for the Research Scholar Program?**

**Step 1:** Read advice on how to write a good proposal [here](#).

**Step 2:** Write your proposal using the advice

institution at the time of the application submission.

- Post doctoral staff can only serve as a co-PI, not a primary PI.
- Applicants must have received their PhD within seven years of submission (e.g., applicants in 2023 must have received their PhD in 2016 or later).
  - We consider exceptions for applicants who have been teaching seven years or fewer and had delays, such as working in industry, parental leave, leave of absence, etc. This exception request can be documented on the application.
- Applicants can submit one application per round.
  - Faculty can only serve as a PI or Co-PI per round. Applicants cannot serve on two separate proposals.
- Applicants can apply a maximum of 3 times within the 7 years post-PhD.

#### Step 3: Submit

your proposal once the application window opens. You can find format recommendations in the [FAQ](#).

#### Step 4:

Applicants are notified within 4 months of submission.

## Funding amounts

The funds granted will be up to \$60,000 USD and are intended to support the advancement of the professor's research.

## Supporting cutting-edge research

Proposals are selected through an internal review process. Applicants will be notified of their proposal status within six months of the initial submission. We ask applicants to categorize their proposals into one of the following areas of interest to Google in Computer Science and related fields:

**Algorithms and  
optimization**

**Fundamental and applied  
science**

Machine learning and data  
mining

Natural language  
processing

Quantum computing

Software engineering and  
programming languages

Machine perception

Privacy

Security

Systems and Networking  
Systems

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