



# UNIVERSITY OF ICELAND

## The UI doctoral grants fund

The UI doctoral grants fund is a collection of funds that are specifically intended to support promising students in their doctoral studies at the University of Iceland and with that strengthening the university as an international research institution and to stimulate research-based postgraduate studies.

Doctoral grants will, as before, be allocated from the UI Research Fund and the Eimskip University Fund. In addition, two grants are allocated for research in health- and biotechnology, information technology and renewable energy. These grants are funded by the University of Iceland Science Park and are for up to three years.

Students and academic staff, that meet the requirements set by the [UI doctoral grants fund's rules](#) and the [UI's standards and requirements for the quality of doctoral programs](#), are eligible to apply for doctoral grants.

**The deadline for applications is February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024.** Applications are to be submitted in Icelandic or English. Applicants select between three application routes:

- **Route A:** Supervisor and student, who has already begun his/her PhD studies, apply together to the fund.
- **Route B:** Supervisor, who is a UI academic employee and meets previous mentioned requirements, applies without a student.
- **Route C:** Applicant, who has not begun his/her PhD studies at UI applies to the fund. Applicants shall apply for a UI PhD program, which is generally prepared in consultation with an intended supervisor, to the relevant UI school in parallel with UI PhD grant application.
  - Students via route C are also requested to arrange for two experts to submit a letter of reference on the quality of the student 's research and his/her ability to perform the proposed doctoral research. It is preferred that one of the reviewers is associated with the student 's final project in his/her graduate studies. Letters of reference are to be emailed by reviewers in PDF format directly to [rannsoknasjodir@hi.is](mailto:rannsoknasjodir@hi.is) before the application deadline.

Applications are to be submitted via an online application form provided by the UI doctoral grants fund. [Click here](#) to access the application form, UI doctoral grants fund 's rules, criteria for evaluation of applications, application form guidelines and more.

For further information please contact the Division of Science and Innovation [rannsoknasjodir@hi.is](mailto:rannsoknasjodir@hi.is)