Funding Opportunities from the Economic and Social Research Council

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Did you know? The Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), the UK’s largest organization for funding research on social and economic issues, offers two types of general grants that may be of potential interest to psychological scientists. ESRC Research Grants and New Investigator Grants both have open deadlines, and psychological scientists and those from the interdisciplinary social sciences are encouraged to apply. Funding is applicable to UK psychological scientists.

ESRC Research Grant

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ESRC New Investigator Grant

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The ESRC [New Investigator Grant](#) supports early career researchers as they transition to becoming an independent researcher and begin managing their first major research project. **The call is open to researchers from anywhere in the world** who have the support of a UK research organization. Researchers must have a maximum of 4 years of postdoctoral experience. For all the details for the New Investigator Grant, please visit the [callspecifications](#).

International coinvestigators are accepted for research proposals. The ESRC also allows for UK scientists to partner with researchers from Brazil, the USA, Luxembourg, France, Germany, and the Netherlands. Click [here](#) to read more.

Applications for ESRC Research Grants and New Investigator Grants can be submitted year-round. To learn more about the Economic and Social Research Council, or to view other funding opportunities available through ESRC, please click [here](#).