

Back2Science Research Programme

GUIDELINES 2017/18

Principles

1. The University has established the **Back2Science Research Programme** to provide a one-year opportunity¹ for both women and men in STEMM subject areas, who have taken extended career breaks (>5 years), to join an established research group, build confidence and gain contemporary research experience.
2. The aim of the research programme is to provide a sound platform for Fellows to kick-start their careers, providing opportunities for researchers to develop independent research projects, funding applications and research publications, or undertake further study.
3. Each Fellowship consists of a **£16,000** bursary, with a further **£5,000** available for consumable costs. There are TWO Fellowships available per annum.
4. Applications are open between **1–31 August** annually, and successful applicants will normally begin on 1 October in the year of application.
5. Anticipated outputs from each Fellowship will be at least **one high impact publication** plus submission of an **external funding application** to further develop the individuals' research, or entry into high level study.
6. As part of the Fellowship, a **package of training and development** is offered, drawing on the existing provision for PGR/ECRs to further develop the individuals as rounded researchers.
7. The quality of candidates is assessed through a **formal application** and **interview** process, considering qualifications held, experience gained and demonstrable motivation / enthusiasm for research.
8. The Fellowship Scheme is coordinated by Professor Belinda Colston (Director, Eleanor Glanville Centre) egc@lincoln.ac.uk. The fund Administrator is Lynn Margetts (Finance Clerk) lmargetts@lincoln.ac.uk.

¹ One year full-time, or two years part-time

Procedure to Apply

1. Application must be made by e-mail to the Eleanor Glanville Centre (egc@lincoln.ac.uk).
2. Potential applicants must first identify an academic supervisor within the College of Science, and with them, develop an outline research proposal prior to submission.
3. Applications (maximum of two sides of A4) must contain:
 - a. details of the proposed host research group;
 - b. a summary of the proposed research project, including relevance to the School's research strategy;
 - c. the proposal, including timescales, breakdown of costs, and details of intended outcomes (e.g. income generation, publication and dissemination of work and other research or professional practice outcomes); and
 - d. a clear statement of how the Fellowship will support the applicant's research aspirations.
4. Interviews will usually take place during September.
5. Applicants are requested to produce a brief report (one side of A4) at the end of the Fellowship, giving an overview of the research carried out, the research outcomes, and the benefits gained by the Fellow.

Web links

College of Science (<http://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/collegeofscience/>)

School of Chemistry (<http://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/chemistry/>)

School of Computer Science (<http://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/socs/>)

School of Engineering (<http://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/engineering/>)

School of Life Sciences (<http://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/lifesciences/>)

School of Mathematics and Physics (<http://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/smp/>)

School of Pharmacy (<http://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/lsp/>)

National Centre for Food Manufacturing (<http://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/holbeach/>)