The Tyler Prize - Application for funding

Please complete and **submit this form by 25th April 2025**, **17.00**. Please note that **your Head of School must also submit a separate form** by this deadline and it is your responsibility to liaise with them to ensure that this is completed.

Objectives of the Tyler Prize. The Tyler Prize supports research acceleration for early career academic staff at the University of Reading. The award will empower researchers to make a step change in their research ambitions, accelerating the development of research leadership, collaborations and innovation. **Criteria for Use of Funds.** Each award will be £10,000 to enable research development of the successful applicant over a maximum 2-year period. **Eligibility.** The prize is intended to support academic staff within 5 years of their appointment at Reading. [The five-year duration excludes periods of career break, where the applicant has not had the opportunity to undertake research.] It is open to all Grade 7 academic staff who hold a permanent contract at the time of application (including probationary T&R, RI and TI staff who are already engaged in the formal process for transitioning to T&R, but excluding those employed on externally funded fellowships).

Please direct any queries about eligibility or cost calculations to Nicola Flynn (<u>n.j.flynn@reading.ac.uk</u>), and direct any queries about the content of your application to your Research Division Lead and/or Research Development Manager, as required.

* Required

* This form will record your name, please fill your name.

Applicant details and Eligibility

1. Name *

2. Research Division *

- O Agri-Food Economics and Social Science
- O Archaeology
- Art and Design
- Biomedical Sciences and Biomedical Engineering
- O Built Environment
- Business Informatics Systems and Accounting
- Chemical Sciences
- Climate
- Computer Sciences
- Earth Observation and Space
- C Ecology and Evolutionary Biology
- Economics
- Education Language Learning
- O English Literature
- O Environmental Science
- Film Theatre and Television
- Food and Nutritional Sciences
- Global Development
- History and Classics
- International Business and Strategy
- 🔵 Law
- C Leadership Organisations and Behaviour
- O Marketing and Reputation
- Mathematics and Statistics
- O Modern Languages and Linguistics
- O Pharmacy
- O Politics and Philosophy
- O Psychology and Clinical Language Sciences
- Real Estate and Planning

Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems

Weather

3. Academic School *

- Henley Business School
- Institute of Education
- International Study & Language Institute
- School of Agriculture Policy & Development
- School of Archaeology Geography & Environmental Science
- School of Arts and Communication Design
- School of Biological Sciences
- School of Chemistry Food & Pharmacy
- School of Humanities
- School of Law
- School of Mathematical Physical & Computational Sciences
- School of Philosophy Politics and Economics
- School of Psychology & Clinical Language Sciences
- School of the Built Environment
- O University Museums and Special Collections Services
- 4. Did your permanent employment at University of Reading start after 25th April 2020? *

Please note that you must be within 5 years of your permanent appointment at Reading to be eligible to apply. If your answer to this question is no, please provide details of your career break(s) in the next question. If you answered 'no' and have no career breaks, you will not be eligible for funding from the Tyler Prize.



No - please provide details in the next question

 If you answered 'no' to the previous question, please provide details of your career breaks during which time you were not able to undertake research. Please provide dates, as appropriate. 6. Are you on a grade 7 academic contract?

YesNo

7. Vision statement *

What difference would the funding make to your future ambitions and how would it enable a step change in your research and leadership? (max. 3000 characters, approx. 500 words)

Please enter at most 3000 characters

8. Track record in research *

Provide a list of publications and any grants to date; details of international engagement; partnerships and public engagement; collaborations (internal and external). Include details of career breaks or special circumstances since appointment to UoR if you wish this to be considered. The panel will take into account achievements and track records prior to and including time at UoR. (max. 3000 characters, approx. 500 words)

Please enter at most 3000 characters

9. Plan of action *

Outline plan of action over the duration of the prize covering timetable of activity, any planned collaborations and partnerships, and projected outcomes/deliverables. (max. 2000 characters, approx. 350 words)

Please enter at most 2000 characters

10. Research lay description *

Provide a short lay description of the research and its significance to your career development. (max. 900 characters, approx. 150 words)

Please enter at most 900 characters

11. Finances. The prize provides £10,000. Please outline how you intend to spend the funds and the timetable for spend (across 1 or 2 financial years). *

Staff costs should be calculated using the spreadsheet provided with the announcement email. Funding can be used flexibly for multiple purposes such as: Research assistance or technical support; Costs associated with research collaboration and partnership work; Funding an academic or commercial placement or exchange; Study trips/Travel to archives/Fieldwork; Purchase of equipment; External training courses or consultancy fees; Limited buy out of teaching time (with HoS approval and subject to probation conditions); Funding costs of publication of work or delivery of practice research. There will be no requirement to spend the full funding in the year it is awarded, with flexibility to roll a portion of funds over into a second year if desired. Any unspent funds will be reinvested to support the prize in future years.

Declarations

Please confirm the following points

12. I have discussed this application with my Head of School and asked them to complete a separate confirmation form. I am aware that it is my responsibility to ensure it is complete and that my application to the Tyler Prize will be ineligible without this HOS form. *



13. If awarded, I confirm that I will complete the research as outlined in my proposal above. I will provide interim and final reports about the project, as requested by University of Reading. *



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