

LSE-Georgetown University Research Seed Fund Application Form 2024/2025

Notes to applicants:

All fields are mandatory and therefore must be complete before the application can be submitted.

One joint application form should be submitted to Global@lse.ac.uk by Friday, 16 May 2025 (4pm BST, 12pm EST)

The following documents must be submitted as part of the application:

1. LSE-Georgetown University Seed Research Fund application form
2. CV of LSE Principal Investigator (max 2 page each)
3. CV of Georgetown University Principal Investigator (max 2 page each)
4. LSE Head of Department/Centre Director support letter
5. Georgetown University Head of Department/Centre Director support letter

1: Applicants and Team

Please enter names, job titles, academic units/centres/faculties and emails of the LSE and Georgetown University Principal Investigators and any other academic staff involved in the activities.

☐ I confirm that all LSE staff members named in this application have an employment contract with LSE that extends for at least one year beyond the project's completion.

☐ I confirm that all Georgetown University staff members named in this application have an employment contract with Georgetown University that extends for at least one year beyond the project's completion.

2: Project Overview

Research Theme

Please specify the research theme of the project proposal.

Project Title

Please enter the title of your project.

Project Abstract			
Please provide a short abstract summarising your proposed project in terms suitable for an informed general audience, not one specialised in your field.			
Keywords			
Please enter up to 4 keywords associated with your project.			
Proposed Start Date	Click or tap to enter a date.	Proposed End Date	Click or tap to enter a date.

3. Proposal Details

The information below will be used to assess the proposal against these criteria. The proposals will be selected based on their originality, significance, methodology and implementation, and potential for joint external funding and/or contribution to high quality co-authored publications and/or strengthening long-term academic collaboration between LSE and Georgetown University.

3a: Originality

This section should demonstrate the originality of the research idea/research question, and its potential to contribute to the state of the art and break new ground. (2000-5000 characters)

3b: Significance

This section should demonstrate the ambition and significance of the research idea. Why is this research important and timely? Why do we need it and how critical is the question it will answer? (2000-5000 characters)

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3c: Implementation

This section should address the scientific merit, rigour, and feasibility of the research method and implementation plan, demonstrate the strength of the research design, feasibility and timeline of the project. (2000-5000 characters)

3d: Potential

This section should show how the project, if funded, may: 1) result in joint external funding proposals, identifying potential funders or schemes; and/or 2) contribute high quality, peer-reviewed co-authored research papers for publication in top journals in the relevant field of research and/or high-quality policy-related papers; and/or 3) strengthen long-term academic collaboration between LSE and Georgetown University. (2000-5000 characters)

4. Project Team

Project Roles and Rationale

Please include a list of team members and roles of the project team. Please briefly explain how they will contribute to the success of the proposed project. (2000-5000 characters)

5. Project Budget

Please see our Internal Funding Pages for information and contact details to support costing your project. **Eligible costs and example project activities are listed in the scheme guidance.**

5a: LSE budget

Item	Amount in GBP
Directly-incurred non-staff costs Please provide the total amount requested from the scheme for all directly-incurred non-staff costs.	
Hourly paid staff costs Please provide the total amount requested from the scheme for hourly-paid contracts, including Occasional Research Assistance, costed by the servicing team.	
Directly-incurred salaried staff costs Please provide the total amount requested from the scheme for eligible staff salaries, not including hourly-paid contracts, costed by the servicing team.	
Total budget requested (up to £10,000):	

Contribution to the project from other sources Please provide a list of any other funding sources supporting the proposed project whether internal or external.

5b: Georgetown University budget

Item	Amount in USD
Directly-incurred non-staff costs Please provide the total amount requested from the scheme for all directly-incurred non-staff costs.	
Personnel Please provide the total amount requested for staff salaries and student research assistants.	
Total budget requested (up to \$12,900 or equivalent of £10,000 based on the currency rate):	
Contribution to the project from other sources Please provide a list of any other funding sources supporting the proposed project whether internal or external.	

5c: Justification of resources

Please provide a detailed budget, itemising the costs associated with each phase of your project, and explain the necessity of each budget item and how it will contribute to the success of your project. (2000-5000 characters)