

Application for De Nieuwe Utrechtse School Education Innovation Fund 2025

Introduction

From 2025 onwards, the Education Centre will be working to firmly embed (DNUS) themes in education using the Education Quality Funds (KGO funds). There are nine impulse teams (six on DNUS themes and three on supporting themes, see below), each of which formulates its own vision and goals for its theme in consultation with relevant stakeholders. Together, they pursue the vision and goals of DNUS. From 2025 onwards, the quality funds (allocated to the Faculty of Medical Sciences to enhance the quality of academic education) will also be used to support innovative project proposals in academic education. Educational innovations must contribute to at least one of the six current DNUS themes, namely Diversity & Inclusion, Resilience & Well-being, Translational Medicine & Life Sciences, Interdisciplinary & Interprofessional Education, Planetary Health, Patient Participation/Community Engaged Learning, and/or the three supporting themes, namely Educational Research, Assessment & Evaluation and New Technologies.

Everyone is welcome to submit a proposal for one or more educational innovations aimed at further improving the quality of education in relation to the themes mentioned above. This may include plans that have been on the to-do list for some time due to a lack of time or funding, but which would enhance the quality of education once implemented.

Examples include:

- adapting manuals in line with the educational strategy (DNUS)
- (re)designing to integrate (DNUS) themes into existing education.
- purchasing or developing materials for educational activities that support DNUS themes in education

Applications

- Applications can be submitted until 31 of October by completing the application form below and sending it to denieuweutrechtseeschool@umcutrecht.nl.

Please note: incomplete forms will not be processed!

The minimum budget that can be applied for is €2,500 and the maximum budget is €50,000 per year.

The preferred project duration is a maximum of 1 year, with a maximum duration of 3 years. The budget must be spent within 1 year. If the project duration exceeds 1 year, an assessment for follow-up funding will take place shortly before the end of year 1.

Assessment criteria

When describing the proposal, please bear in mind that it will be assessed on the basis of the following criteria:

- Proposals have been agreed in advance with the programme director or equivalent and with the relevant impulse team;
- The relationship with the quality of education is clear;
- The relationship between the analysis of the desired (further) development and the intended outcome is clear.
- Measurable end results of the project: when will the project be completed, when will the project be successful in terms of quality impact?

The funds are primarily intended to improve the quality of faculty education. Because students in the Faculty of Medicine learn a great deal in the workplace, applications for educational innovations that contribute to the implementation of DNUS in the workplace are also supported. This means that applications from divisions or non-faculty programmes are also possible.

- Assurance and dissemination;
- Contribution to (resolving bottlenecks in) the quality of education;
- Quality of proposal: content, feasibility, ratio of requested budget to quality gains, thoroughly elaborated.

Response time

Applicant(s) will receive a response to the application no later than 3 weeks after submission.

Assessment committee

Applications will be reviewed by the team at De Nieuwe Utrechtse School.

The application form

How to participate?

- Fill in all the information on the form below.
- Email your proposal to **denieuweutrechtseeschool@umcutrecht.nl**.

Title Educational innovation	
Applicant(s)	<i>If there are multiple applicants, please indicate who is leading the project. NB If Onderwijscalls has any questions about this proposal, they will contact you via the email address used to submit the application. If you would like to be contacted via a different email address, please provide your contact details here.</i>
In consultation with the director(s) or equivalent	<i>This is a requirement! Name of programme and name of person with whom it has been agreed (e.g. programme director Annet van Royen)</i>
Coordinated with impulse team(s)	<i>Describe here which impulse team(s) coordination has taken place with:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Diversity & Inclusion • Resilience & Wellbeing • Translational Medicine & Life Sciences • Interdisciplinary & Interprofessional Education, • Planetary Health • Patient Participation/Community Engaged Learning • Educational Research • Assessment & Evaluation • New Technologies
Participating programme(s)	
Duration	<i>This can be up to 3 years, starting at the end of 2025.</i>
Requested budget (2,500-50,000 euros per year)	<i>The requested budget must be in balance with the intended results/impact of the innovation.</i>
Brief explanation of the rationale behind the innovation leading to the desired results	
Quality of education	<i>Explain how this innovation contributes to the quality of education at the OWC. Describe which measurable/demonstrable parameters are used for evaluation with regard to quality impact and whether this has been coordinated with the Educational Teaching and/or Quality and Assessment Impulse Team.</i>
Description of innovation	<i>Reason/Desired (further) development</i>
	<i>Intended solution</i>
	<i>Substantiation of solution, for example based on evidence-informed solutions that have or have not worked elsewhere</i>
	<i>Relationship between innovation and other programmes/departments, both within and outside UMCU and UU</i>
	<i>Action plan (explain briefly with desired activities)</i>

	<i>Intended (SMART) results and timeline</i>
	<i>Staffing (who is involved in the implementation?)</i>
	<i>Assurance (how will the results of this project be assured, what else might be needed in the future for assurance?)</i>
	<i>Pitfalls (which factors can hinder success and how can they be tackled?)</i>
	<i>Dissemination – how do you plan to share the results with the educational community (e.g. through workshops, newsletters, educational colloquiums)?</i>

Do you need assistance with your idea?

Would you like to discuss your idea or do you need assistance in developing it further? Please send an email to denieuwentrechtseschool@umcutrecht.nl and request a consultation.