

LUCE Funding Form 2026

Hiring a (Student) Research Assistant

Who can apply?

All staff members within the School of Humanities at the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities of the VU. We strongly encourage early career researchers (lecturers and assistant professors) to apply.

What to apply for?

The (partial) costs of hiring a (student) researcher to assist you in an ongoing research project.

*To apply for funding for hiring a (student) research assistant to help in developing a research application, please use the “Preparing a Research Application” form. To apply for funding for hiring a (student) assistant to help in organizing a conference, workshop, or event, please use the “Hosting a Conference, Workshop, or Event” form.

Funding amount:

€2.000 to €5.000.

Please note that the costs must be made by 15 December 2027.

Deadline:

15 December 2026

Submission:

Please send your completed application form, with the name of the call you are applying to as the subject line of your email, to LUCE at LUCEfund.sgw@vu.nl.

Application form:

1. Applicant(s)

Name:

Department:

Contact information:

2. Research Project

2a. Description

Please add a description of your research project (max. 1000 words). Please include: (1) the names and affiliations of your research partners (if applicable), (2) the names and affiliations

of your societal partners (if applicable), and (3) a statement on the academic and societal relevance of your project.

2b. Visibility and Impact

Please state the visibility and (projected) impact of your research project (max. 200 words).

2c. Motivation for Hiring a (Student) Research Assistant

Please add your motivation for hiring a (student) research assistant (max. 500 words).

Please include a description of: (1) the tasks that will be allocated to your (student) research assistant, (2) how their assistance will aid in advancing your research, and (3) how working with you on your project will aid in advancing their (future) career goals.

3. Relation to the LUCE Themes

Please state the relation of your project to the LUCE themes (max. 200 words).

4. Budget

4a. Overview

Please imbed a table of all associated costs for your research project. Please also indicate any funding you have received or will apply for from your department, the VU, and/or other funding bodies, organizations, or institutions.

4b. Requested Funding from LUCE

*Please state the amount of funding you are applying for from LUCE to hire a (student) research assistant (max. €5.000) (max. 200 words). *Please note that HR can assist you with questions regarding one-off payments, salary scales, etc.*