

# Music research grants

The Royal Swedish Academy of Music has funds at its disposal for music research. These are distributed in the form of grants and prizes.

Grants can be applied for twice annually, in spring and autumn, **the application closing dates being 1 March and 1 October respectively**. Awards are announced, as a rule, in the month following the application closing date.

Applications received after the closing date will be considered on the next following decision date.

**Who can apply?** The grants can be applied for by students taking Master's programmes (prior to their degree projects), postgrads and researchers active in or outside higher education establishments in Sweden. An application may refer to musicology, artistic music research, music education research or music-related research in other disciplines.

## Grants can be awarded to:

- Delegates attending, and with papers accepted for, conferences in Sweden and elsewhere.
- Research-oriented workshops and seminars for which the applicant has been accepted as an active participant.
- Specific research purposes, such as data collection.
- Interviewing.
- Other components of research projects either ongoing or planned.

## Grants will not be awarded:

- For activities which have taken place prior to the latest application date.
- As loss-of-earnings compensation.
- For salaries, subsistence allowances or the like.
- For study expenses.
- For printed publications.
- For purchases of equipment and literature.
- For CD or video/DVD production.

## How to make out your application:

No special application forms are needed. Applications are to be e-mailed.

**Describe the purpose** to which your application refers, explaining the importance of the intended activity for your research. Explain why you wish to attend a certain conference, procure certain source material etc.

**Enclose an estimate** of the project costs and how they are to be covered.

If you are a researcher/teacher or postgrad on the staff of a university or college, your calculation must show which items are being funded by your department and for which ones you request funding from the Academy.

As a postgrad, you must also enclose:

- A copy of your latest confirmed individual plan of studies.
- A certificate from your principal supervisor, containing a clearly motivated endorsement of the purpose to which your application refers.
- Particulars of the expenses which the department is covering in order for the purpose to be achieved.

If you are a Master's student, you are to enclose a certificate from your supervisor containing a clearly motivated endorsement of the purpose to which your application refers.

**In the case of conference participation**, a grant can be awarded only if the applicant's paper has been accepted as part of the conference program. Confirmation of acceptance is to be enclosed with the application.

If you are applying for a grant towards **travel and living** expenses, your cost estimate must be based on the cheapest options. Travel should primarily be by rail.

If you are applying for a travel grant in connection with empirical data collections or studies of source materials away from your home area, you must specify any efforts you have made to gain access to the data material or basic source material.

You are to state whether you have applied for, or intend to apply for, funding for the same (or a similar) purpose from any other source. Research grants from the Royal Swedish Musical Academy constitute most often only a part of the financing of the purpose applied for.

**The application shall thus include the following contents:**

- Brief description of the purpose of seeking a scholarship (max 4 pages) including information concerning whether or not funds for the same, or similar, purposes have been applied for from other sources.
- Short Curriculum vitae. (1 page)
- Mandatory attachments.
- Cost estimate.
- Certificate from supervisor (applies to PhD students and Master's students).
- The latest established individual study plan (applies to PhD students).
- Confirmation of assumed conference contribution (applies to applications aimed at participation in conferences).

No other data shall be attached to the application than these mentioned above.

**Accounting for the grant**

A grant recipient must, within a period of six months, furnish the Academy with a detailed report on the use made of the grant, as well as accounting for costs including receipts. Submission of such a report is a precondition for any award of further funding.

**Send your application via e-mail to:**

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