Snouck Hurgronje Grant: 2019 criteria and procedure

Issues in today’s society rarely fall within the scope of a single discipline or specialism. This makes it extremely important for researchers to look beyond the boundaries of their own field when they are seeking solutions. The Snouck Hurgronje Grant for interfaculty and socially relevant projects was established to encourage this. Each year, the Committee for Academic Expenditure (CWB) awards a sum of between €100,000 and €150,000 to the research team that best meets the criteria.

The criteria applied in assessing research projects are as follows:

1. The innovative character of the project
2. How clearly the project is defined
3. The project’s scientific significance
4. The soundness of the research methodology
5. The CVs of the applicants, that should demonstrate excellence
6. The likelihood of the project having direct societal impact
7. The potential for opening up new fields of research
8. An adequate budget that explains when the project cannot be funded elsewhere.

The criteria applied in assessing education projects are as follows:

1. the innovative character of the project
2. how clearly the problem is defined
3. the approach compared with existing education methods
4. experience in education and related motivation, supported by applicant’s cv
5. an adequate budget that explains why the project cannot be funded elsewhere

Digital application form
Applications for the grant must be submitted through the digital application form by 10.00 hrs. on Monday 2 September 2019 at the latest.

The digital application should be accompanied by the following documents:

A. A summary in Dutch in language that non-professionals will understand (approx. 250 words).
B. A project description in no more than 1,000 words, excluding references, and no more than three illustrations (tables/graphs/pictures). Use the following structure: 1. Project name, 2. Background, 3. Issue and goal of the project, 4. Methodology, 5. Expected results, 6. Implications and relevance, 7. Planning/timetable.
C. A budget for the project.
D. An embedding guarantee from the faculty, which shows the faculty/institute supports the research being conducted within this faculty/institute.
E. The CV of the applicant(s), which demonstrates excellence.

Application procedure
Applications will be checked for eligibility and will then be judged by the CWB. Applications received after the deadline, incomplete applications and applications that do not meet the criteria will not be eligible for the grant.