



University of Macau

Rules of Start-up Research Grant

1. Objective

The Start-up Research Grant (SRG) of the University of Macau (UM) aims to provide a one-time support to new full-time academic staff designated as "Assistant Professor", "Associate Professor", "Professor", "Distinguished Professor" and "Chair Professor, for starting research at UM.

2. Funding Amount and Allocation

The SRG provides financial support at a maximum of 3 years. In general, the SRG amounts are the following unless otherwise negotiated with the Rector.

- MOP150k – for Assistant Professor
- MOP200k – for Associate Professor
- MOP250k – for Professor
- MOP350k – for Distinguished Professor
- MOP500k – for Chair Professor

Normally, SRG scheme should be approved by the Vice Rector (Research) while special SRG scheme, which is negotiated with the Rector, shall require prior approval from the Rector. Proper procedure for budget release will be followed-up by the Research and Development Administration Office (R&DAO).

SRG recipients are also entitled for applications to Multi-Year Research Grant (MYRG), Matching Research Grant (MRG) and Research & Development Grant for Chair Professor (CPG).

3. Report

An annual progress report should be submitted in order to secure the budget allocation for the subsequent year. A final report must be submitted within two months after ending of the grant. In case of contract end, final report to conclude the output and achievement for the entire granting period will be required.

4. Supported Items

In general, SRG can flexibly support the items in the following categories:

- a) Personnel cost – including UM students, fixed-term research staff and short-term visiting scholars, etc.
- b) Supplies & Materials – including equipment, surveys, professional services and reference materials, etc.
- c) Research & Conference Trips – including registration fee, transportation and accommodation. Involved UM researchers (i.e. principal investigators, fixed-term research staff, UM postgraduate students, etc.) can be supported.

- d) Others – including specific needs, e.g. field trips for data collection, etc.

5. Other Provisions

- a) The University reserves the right not to consider funding to any applications and to terminate support to any approved applications.
- b) The University owns the rights of all funded results in terms of publications, patents, trademarks, etc.
- c) Grant recipients should refer to the Guidelines of Start-Up Research Grant for procedural and execution compliance.