

The global forum for **EAP** professionals

Research Funding Stream 2022

Information Sheet and Call for Applications



BALEAP, The Global Forum for EAP Professionals, supports the development of those involved in learning, teaching, scholarship and research in English for Academic Purposes. In honour of this, we are seeking individual or group applications for our Research Funding Scheme, now in its 3rd year.

Building on previous successful funding initiatives which have seen a focus on specific themes, such as *Collaboration, Innovation*, and *Social Justice*, BALEAP have now decided to open up the fund to any research that will advance the field of EAP. Therefore, we seek proposals addressing research problems in areas including, but not limited to, EAP pedagogy, leadership and professional development.

Aims

The funding initiative aims to encourage scholarship and practitioners' research in EAP. The scheme supports members who might otherwise find it difficult to engage in scholarship. As well as providing financial support, the scheme will include mentorship at various stages of the projects.

Funding available

Applicants can apply for funding of **up to £5,000**, based on anticipated costs incurred. A finance guide has been attached to this email.

Eligibility

Applications from individuals, single institutions, cross-institution and global collaborations are welcome. Individual applicants, and one member of collaborative applications, must be a BALEAP member*.

*Membership includes institutional, individual, concessional.

Evaluation Criteria

The project proposals will be evaluated according to the following criteria by a panel selected across the BALEAP membership.

- Relevance to the field of EAP
- Quality of the proposal
- Impact, sustainability and transferability

The criteria has been attached to this email.

Outputs

We encourage a range of potential outputs, appropriate to the scale of the project. Potential outputs might include (but are not limited to): a publication in an academic journal, an educational blog, a conference presentation, a set of pedagogical resources, multimodal posters/reports, video interview, infographics through the BALEAP website. Please note that participation in a BALEAP event (potentially online), or a short written or multimedia account for the website, is *required*. Initial output should be planned for Summer 2023 (bar formal academic publications).

How to apply and timeline

The application form is attached to this email

For additional details, email funding@baleap.org

Submission deadline: Monday 16th May 2022.

Final decision communicated to applicants by 8th July 2022.

The funding must be accessed before the end of July 2023.

Support available

- On 24th March 2022 (8-10 a.m.GMT) we will hold a drop in session for anyone who would like to discuss their proposal and what further support needs you may have. Join us by emailing research@baleap.org for the Zoom link.
- Additional resources you might find useful when writing a research proposal:

Despite some hard sell of a writing service (!!) there is some good advice in this video regarding how to structure a research proposal:

How To Write A Strong Research Proposal | Thesis or Dissertation

Another useful resource: <u>Writing a Research Proposal | Study | Queen's University</u> <u>Belfast</u>

Of course, your own institution might have advice on how to write a research proposal. It is more important to ensure you consider the elements of the selection criteria rather than adhere to any specific structure.

