COMMUNITY

EXPERIMENT

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INFO

The Community Experiment Grant is a micro-grant scheme that supports student-led activities and events which connect people, bring about discourse, foster collaboration, experimentation and community building within our Academy.

Whether it is organising a feminist zine making workshop or an inclusivity peer support group, a decolonial book club or a collective storytelling event - the Community Experiment Grant encourages current students to consider our school as a laboratory, a think tank, a testing ground for alternative modes of thinking and doing through small scale extra-curricular initiatives.

Interested students or student groups can apply for the micro-grant through submitting an application form, available on the DAE website →QR-code, detailing their proposal, intended impact, timeline and budget. Completed applications can be handed in digitally or physically to DAE's Community Organiser(CO) Pete Fung (pete.fung@designacademy.nl), and will then be evaluated and approved within two weeks of submission. The CO will also guide successful applicants in realising their community projects.

Each grant application has an upper limit of 300 euros and is meant to cover material, production costs, or other relevant expenses. The micro-grant scheme will operate on a rolling deadline throughout the academic year. The application process will remain open until funds are dispersed.

If you have questions, please see the frequently asked questions on the next page or contact pete.fung@designacademy.nl.

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FAQ

→ **WHAT IS THE EVALUATION CRITERIA?**
The applications will be reviewed based on their intended community impact, relevance, feasibility and reach.

The selection process includes consideration of groups and topics that are structurally or historically underrepresented and favours proposals aimed at these subjects and groups.

Applicants are welcome to reach out to the CO if they want to discuss their application before their submissions. Should you require extra help with writing/typing due to injury or other reasons, you are also welcome to request a meeting for a spoken application.

→ **DOES THE PROPOSED PROJECT NEED TO HAPPEN WITHIN DAE?**
While it is not encouraged, we understand that not everything is possible within the building of the Academy. Should your application involve doing something somewhere else, we would like to recommend taking accessibility into consideration when choosing your alternative location(s).

→ **DO YOU HAVE TO USE THE WHOLE 300 EUROS?**
No, your application could also propose for less than that amount.

→ **WHAT IF I NEED MORE MONEY FOR MY PROJECT?**
You can consider this micro-grant scheme as a seeding grant for further ambiguous projects—as a support for your proof of concept. However, you are more than welcome to email us at pete.fung@designacademy.nl directly if you think otherwise.

→ **WHAT HAPPENS WHEN MY APPLICATION IS NOT APPROVED?**
You will receive an email with the decision from us regardless within two weeks. Feedback will be available upon request and you are more than welcome to re-apply with a modified application.

→ **CAN I APPLY WITH A PROJECT THAT I'VE WORKED ON WITHIN MY CLASS?**
Yes. That being said, the project should be community oriented.

→ **HOW MANY TIMES CAN I APPLY?**
One successful application will be granted per academic year to each student or student group.

→ **CAN I INVITE EXTERNAL PARTNERS?**
Yes, bringing in speakers*, workshop facilitators, etc from outside of DAE; or exhibiting, publishing, collaborating on something that you started at DAE with an organisation outside is permitted. Please indicate your collaborator(s) this in your application.

→ **DO I HAVE TO DO ANYTHING AFTER I HAVE COMPLETED THE PROPOSED PROJECT?**
A brief report and some photo documentation is required from applicants upon the completion of their projects. If you are doing a publication, we would love to receive a copy as well. We also reserve the right to ask for additional material for promotional/documentation purposes.

*In the case of inviting an external speaker at DAE, we recommend you contact the DAE Lecture Series as they are always looking for speakers that are of interest to the DAE community! Email them at lectureseries@designacademy.nl.

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APPLI-CATION FORM

APPLICANT INFORMATION

NAME OF STUDENT(S) OR STUDENT INITIATIVE

CONTACT EMAIL(S)

STUDIO OR DEPARTMENT (IF APPLICABLE)

YEAR OF STUDY (IF APPLICABLE)

GRANT INFORMATION

PROJECT NAME

PROJECT TIME AND LOCATION (IF APPLICABLE)

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

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COMMUNITY

INTENDED AUDIENCE/ATTENDEES

INTENDED COMMUNITY IMPACT

BUDGET INFORMATION

BUDGET ITEMS AND COST

TOTAL GRANT REQUESTED (CANNOT EXCEED 300 EUROS)

There is not a word limit to make the application process easier, however, it is preferred when application descriptions are kept short to ease the selection process.

If you have questions, please contact the Community Organizer at pete.fung@designacademy.nl.

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