SSEAC Publication Grant 2014-15 Guidelines

There are a number of scholars whose engagement in Southeast Asia is primarily through consultancy and outreach activities. Their work involves multiple field visits and close collaboration with institutions and individuals in the region, however the structure of the funding for these projects often does not include time and resources for the development of academic output. The SSEAC publication grants provide resources to help academics draw and build on their practical experiences in Southeast Asia to publish their applied research in an academic journal.

Two SSEAC publication grants will be offered in 2014-15, of up to AU $3,000 in value.

Eligibility and Conditions

Applicants may only appear on one application to the SSEAC Publication Grant scheme. Applications must:

- involve academics employed at the University of Sydney in a continuing position or a contract that continues until at least 31 December 2016 (members of the SSEAC Executive Committee may not apply). Academics on recurring annual research contracts will need to provide a letter of intent of employment signed by the head of their academic unit indicating they expect the applicant will continue to be employed until 31 December 2016.
- be based on work already done as part of a non-academic grant award or consultancy
- be for research that has not previously received ARC, NHMRC or internal academic funding

By December 2015, grant recipients will be expected to:

- provide evidence of submission of a manuscript in a quality academic journal or similar
- write at least one op-ed piece based on their research for newspaper or online publication (SSEAC can assist with this process)
- give an academic seminar within SSEAC on the project

In cases where these requirements are not fully met, applicants will be ineligible for future financial support from SSEAC.

Criteria for Award

The applications will be assessed using the following criteria:

- The suitability/viability of the project that is to form the basis of the academic output (i.e. has the project been completed already? Has the applicant thought about how to translate the project into academic output?)
- The quality of the plan presented for doing so

Budget and Timeframe

Applications should be submitted to sseac@sydney.edu.au by: 5pm Friday 29 August 2014. We do not require paper copies of applications. Later submissions will be considered if funds are still available.

Funds will be accessible by July 2014 and must be spent by December 2015.