**Call for Applications 2021/22**

**BAAL Applying Linguistics Fund**

Engaging users in the research process and generating impact are important parts of the applied linguistics research agenda. The BAAL Applying Linguistics Fundsupports members by offering up to £15,000 to carry out innovative activities which link research and impact/public engagement.

Applications are invited from any members of BAAL. In the case of joint applications, the lead applicant must be a member of BAAL. Funded activities can take place in the UK or overseas, from 1 August 2022 to 31 July 2023.

The fund will be available for a single activity or a series of connected activities that bring BAAL members (including students) together with research users (e.g. policy makers, teachers, companies, lawyers, police, community groups, health workers, charities) in innovative ways.

In line with BAAL's commitment to Equality, Diversity and Inclusion, we particularly welcome applications for this round of funding for projects related to one or more of the following themes: minority languages, sign languages, multilingualism, discrimination, language rights, and linguistic citizenship.

In the previous round of funding, a total of 22 applications were received and funding was provided to the following three projects:

* Victoria Murphy, Hamish Chalmers and Faidra Faitaki, University of Oxford: Setting Research Priorities for English as an Additional Language. Awarded £3,870.25
* Christopher J Hall, Alice Gruber and Yuan Qian, York St John University: Modelling plurilithic orientations to English with trainee teachers: A comparative international study. Awarded £950.00
* Christopher Anderson, Clare Hollister and Eli Thompson, Canterbury Christ Church University: ‘This is Margate’: Community engagement & collaboration on discourses of regional identity and gentrification project. The discursive construction of identity in East Kent Costal town. Awarded £4,694.00

Further examples of successful applications from previous rounds are available at the BAAL website (https://www.baal.org.uk/what-we-do/funding/past-awardees/).

**Eligibility**

* Applicant (or lead applicant if more than one) must be a member of BAAL
* Student members of BAAL are also eligible to apply. Please note that while the fund cannot cover costs relating to core dissertation or thesis work, we welcome applications from student members who might use this fund to augment or enhance connections with research end-users. Student applicants should include a statement from their supervisor in support of the application

**Criteria for selecting proposals**

* Demonstration of relevance and significance of the activity to the user group
* Evidence of enthusiasm for and intention to participate in activity from the user group, e.g. letter of support
* Demonstration of relevance to one or more of the following themes: minority languages, sign languages, multilingualism, discrimination, language rights and linguistic citizenship
* Quality of the activity proposed: achievable goals, realistic costing, nature of the activity (e.g. innovation, impact, scope)
* Clear and realistic expectations of the nature of the link between research and impact/pubic engagement through detailed outputs and outcomes

Recommendations on good practices in Applied Linguistics are available online at https://www.baal.org.uk/who-we-are/resources/.

**Funds**

You may apply for the full amount of £15,000 or for a smaller amount depending on the scale of your activity. However, in the past, BAAL has typically divided the fund available between three or four different projects.

Please note that, as BAAL is a charity, we do not fund the full economic cost (FEC) of research.

The Fund may be used to cover expenses that are directly related to the proposed project, such as travel and subsistence, events, and research assistants’ time. We do not, however, cover the cost of replacement teaching, payment in lieu of salary, or computer kit.

All funds must be processed through an institution, preferably by cheque, and not through individuals. It is the responsibility of the lead applicant’s institution (as named on the application form) to manage, and cover the costs of, the distribution of the grant to any other institutions or individuals involved in the project, and to ensure compliance with the terms and conditions of the grant by those institutions/individuals.

For BAAL members who are based outside of the UK, the cost of transferring the funds to the lead applicant’s institution must be included in the amount of funding requested.

**How to apply**

Applications should be made on the BAAL Applying Linguistics Fund application form below and should clearly show how the proposed project meets the criteria. The lead applicant should include a summary CV of no more than one page as an appendix. Letters of support from potential user groups may also be included as appendices.

A detailed budget should also be attached. Please note applicants must specify any funds already received or applied for which relate to their application. The application should be no more than 2,000 words, excluding CV, budget and any other supporting documentation.

The application should comprise a single PDF document and be sent to: funding@baal.org.uk by **1 April 2022.**

Successful applicants will be required to:

* produce a short report of 1,000 words within three months of the completion of the project. This will be posted on the BAAL website and published in the BAAL newsletter
* create an additional output, which will also be linked to on the BAAL website. This could be a short online video which presents the outline of the study, a related journal article or book chapter
* write a short report on the use of the funds for the BAAL Treasurer

Awardees are also encouraged to give an oral presentation at the BAAL conference on completion of the activities. The abstracts are not required to go through review process.

**Contact for queries**

If you have any queries about the call, please contact funding@baal.org.uk

**Timeline**

December 2021 call for applications sent out to the BAAL mailing list

January 2021 online workshop for intending applicants

1 April 2022 deadline for applications

Mid-June 2022 all applicants are notified

August 2022 to July 2023 all research activities carried out

September 2023 presentation at the BAAL conference

Within 3 months of completion 1,000-word report and one additional output

**Applied Linguistics Fund Application Form**

Please complete the following, attach the lead applicant’s CV, a budget and any other supporting documentation, and send as one pdf to: funding@baal.org.uk.

Please note that the application should be no more than 2,000 words, excluding CV, budget and any other supporting documentation.

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| Title of project |  |
| Lead applicant |  |
| BAAL membership number |  |
| Lead applicant’s institution |  |
| Indicate here if the lead applicant is a student (please include a letter of support from the supervisor in an Appendix) |  |
| Co-applicant(s) and their institutions, if applicable |  |
| Amount requested |  |
| Funds from alternative sources applied for/received. Specify amount. |  |
| Description of project |  |
| Relevance and significance to user group (please include any evidence of support from users, such as a letter(s)/email(s), in an Appendix) |  |
| Outcome and outputs |  |
| Timeline of activities |  |
| Additional comments |  |
| Word count (excluding CV, budget and any other supporting documentation) |  |