



KING FAHD UNIVERSITY OF PETROLEUM & MINERALS

OFFICE OF VICE RECTOR FOR GRADUATE STUDIES & SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

KACST Graduate Students Grant Program

GUIDELINES

- **About the Program:**

This program aims to complete the requirements for achieving a graduate degree in the universities and institutions of the Kingdom in the one of the following natural sciences (Engineering, Medicine, Agriculture, and Science) and they could be basic, applied or innovation researches. The total budget for this program should not exceed SR 150,000 for Ph.D. grants and SR 100,000 for M.Sc. grants.

- **Conditions for Applying to this Program:**

1. The proposal should be in one of the scientific fields.
2. The proposal should get the approval from the university/college.
3. The applicants (graduate students) should have finished at least 50 % from their courses fulfilling the required GPA by the university or college.
 - The proposal should not exceed 10 pages and uploaded through the online portal.

- **Supported Items:**

1. Compensations for student and his supervisor:
 - SR 10,000 for Ph.D. student and SR 7,000 for his supervisor.
 - SR 7,000 for M.Sc. student and SR 5,000 for his supervisor.
 - The compensation is released after completing the study and delivering the thesis (soft and hard copies) and after completing all the financial and technical issues related to this study.
 - KACST has the right to hold the compensation of the supervisor or student in case there exist some problems related to their finances in other projects.
2. Research requirements (equipment, materials and facilities).
3. Internal trips and conferences.

- **Requirements:**

1. The student should deliver three hard copies and an electronic copy of his thesis to KACST after it is approved by his university.

- **Main Parts of the Proposal:**

1. Cover page (in Arabic and English languages) and it includes:
 - Name of the program (basic, applied or innovation).
 - Proposal type: graduate students program.

- Main field, sub-field and area of specialization.
 - Name and address of the university or institution.
 - Name of student and his supervisor.
 - Nationality of student.
 - Intended academic degree of the student (M.Sc. or Ph.D.).
 - Date of joining the university (program).
 - Type of enrolment (part time or full time).
 - Title of the proposal (in Arabic and English languages): it should be brief, reflecting the context of the proposal and understandable to the reader.
 - Problem statement.
 - Required budget.
 - Keywords (not less than 3 words and not more than 5 words).
2. Proposal summary (in Arabic and English languages): each one should be 80-120 words illustrating the scientific and practical importance of the research, objectives of the research and how to achieve them and get benefit from them.
 3. List of contents.
 4. Introduction: mentions the motivations and importance of the research.
 5. Objectives of the study: should be very concise and written as points.
 6. Literature review: provide and discuss the last researches related to the area of the proposed study.
 7. Management plan and research methodology: explaining the main practical steps and mentioning the tools and methods that will be used to achieve the goals of the study.
 8. References: they should be written in one of the considered scientific methods in writing references.
 9. Other funding agencies if any.
 10. Detailed required budget: it should be in consistence with the research requirements and provide a justification for each item individually according to KACST rules in this regard.
 11. Short biographies for student and his supervisor and they should not exceed one page and a half for each.