

POSTECH-TAU Research Cooperation Program Call for Applications

1. Introduction and Purpose

Researchers affiliated with each institution [Principal Investigators (“PIs”)] are invited to jointly submit research proposals for the development of collaborative research projects and the exchange of researchers between TAU and POSTECH under the terms and conditions described below.

2. Projects

- a) Four projects will be selected through a call for applications issued jointly by the two institutions: At POSTECH, four projects will be selected from all disciplines. For TAU, all four projects will be in Engineering.
- b) To be eligible under the Program, a project must include research team participants from both institutions. Eligibility to serve as the person responsible for the scientific and scholarly conduct of a Project (the PI) will be determined in accordance with the policies and procedures of the relevant institution. Submissions are made jointly by two PIs, one from POSTECH and one from TAU.
- c) The proposals will be assessed and recommended for selection by a committee composed of members from both institutions. The committee will operate under terms of reference established jointly by the institutions.
- d) Each Project will be for one (1) year, unless otherwise agreed by the institutions.
- e) The funding provided by the Universities is intended to support research expenses, including costs related to funding exchange of researchers (doctoral students, postdocs, faculty members) between the institutions, and direct research costs (performing and analyzing experiments).

3. Value and Funding Principles

Projects - Successful joint proposals will receive up to a maximum of \$20,000 overall for the project. TAU will provide each approved project up to \$10,000, and POSTECH will provide each approved project up to \$10,000, each in support of their respective researchers.

4. Eligibility

Eligible to submit proposals are TAU and POSTECH full time faculty members. Emeritus and honorary staff are not eligible to apply as co-PI but may be members of the project team. Collaborators from other institutions are eligible to participate in projects but are not eligible for any financial support from TAU or POSTECH.

5. Intellectual Property

TAU and POSTECH agree that each party has its own pre-existing proprietary rights that are not affected by this Call for Applications. If TAU personnel and POSTECH personnel are co-inventors of any result or invention, the parties will negotiate in good faith and enter into an inter-institutional agreement relating to the protection, use and commercialization of such joint result or invention.

6. Timeline

Call for Applications announced on TAU and POSTECH websites and/or distributed by email	April 21 st 2025
Closing date for submission of proposals	June 5 th 2025
Notification of results	Mid July
Funding period	August 2025 – July 2026

7. Proposal Requirements

Submission must be in the form of standard internal grant submissions used by each university respectively, and must adhere to the guidelines listed in this Call for Applications.

Proposals should include a short description of the project (2-3 pages) including problem statement, objectives and significance and any unique features or activities planned. Please also include a detailed budget justification and timeline.

8. Submission of Applications

a) Applications are prepared and submitted jointly. Each application must be submitted on or before **June 5th** to both TAU and POSTECH by the respective PIs.

b) No applications will be accepted after the deadline, nor will any addendum or explanation be accepted, unless those explicitly and formally requested by the institutions.

To Apply: Projects: Please send your application using the following link under [Application](#)

9. Analysis and Selection

The proposals will be subjected to an administrative review to ensure eligibility and will subsequently be reviewed by way of a competitive process which will evaluate the merit and relevance of the project, the academic excellence of the candidate, the relation of the proposed project to any ongoing research, and the interest of the two institutions.

Project adjudication: projects will be reviewed by the TAU and POSTECH committee members, which will reach a mutual decision based on all votes of the committee members.

10. Result of the Analysis

Final results will be announced by email to the interested parties.

11. Grant Cancellation

TAU and POSTECH may cancel funding if, during the tenure of the award, one or more facts are deemed serious enough to warrant cancellation, at the discretion of the Lowy International School and POSTECH.

12. Information about the Call for Applications

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