

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ):

Q. Who will be the principal investigator of the project?

A. Your Faculty mentor will be the principal investigator of the project.

Q. Can I collaborate with other students and faculty?

A. Yes. You can have one more faculty co-investigator and two more student co-investigators in your projects.

Q. Is it mandatory to have more than one faculty mentor or student co-investigators?

A. No. It is mandatory. It totally depends on the need of your project.

Q. Can my project involve more than one department?

A. Yes. You can have a collaborative project with one more department.

Q. Who is the sponsor of the UG Research Mentorship Program?

A. Division of Clinical Research and Training of St. John's Research Institute is the sponsor of the program.

Q. What is the amount of the grant allotted for the UG Research Mentorship Program?

A. A total of 10,000 rupees have been allotted for the UG Research Mentorship Program.

Q. In whose name will the grants money be allotted?

A. Grants money will be allotted in the name of principal investigator, i.e., faculty mentor.

Q. Can I apply for the grants if I have already received money from any other source of funding?

A. No. The study under UG Research Mentorship Program should be a stand-alone project and cannot be combined with any other project.

Q. Can I apply for the grants if my expense is less than 10000?

A. Yes. You can apply for the grants for any amount less than or equal to 10000 with justification and need of the money.

Q. If the fund required for the project is less than 10000 rupees; can I get the balance amount as travelling allowance for presenting the paper in a relevant conference?

A. No. The grants amount is specifically for logistics and operational requirements of the project.

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Q. Can I combine my study with any other on-going project?

A. No. The study under UG Research Mentorship Program should be a stand-alone project and cannot be combined with any other project.

Q. Can I submit my proposal if I am unable to get signatures in-person from the faculty mentor and head of the department before submission due date because of their absence?

A. Yes. You can still submit the proposal with their digital signature.

Alternatively, your faculty mentor can email us from their official email ID at training_dcrt@sjri.res.in with the following statement:

"I hereby state that I have reviewed the study proposal of "name of the student" "year of MBBS". I request you to kindly accept her/his proposal for submission."

The email must contain signature of the faculty mentor having their name, designation and department.

Q. What are the selection criteria of the project?

A. Selection criteria are divided into:

Phase 1:

- It confirms that a proposal was submitted within the deadline set
- The application was submitted in the required format along with specified documents (Kindly go through the instructions manual carefully)
- Project proposals that are not compliant with the phase 1 criteria will be excluded from any further evaluation.

Phase 2:

- The quality assessment will only apply to projects that have successfully gone through the 1st phase.
- During this phase, proposals will be evaluated based on content-related criteria (relevance of the proposal, quality of results/ public health significance, novelty) and implementation-related criteria (quality of the methodological approach, budget and finance).