**TRINITY COLLEGE DUBLIN, THE UNIVERSITY OF DUBLIN**

**Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences**

***Trinity Research in Social Sciences (*TRiSS)**

**Academic Research Fellowships 2025/26: Call for Applications**

Trinity Research in Social Sciences (TRiSS) would like to invite research-active academics, from its member schools to submit proposals for the 2025/26 TRiSS Academic Research Fellowships (ARFs). The aim of ARFs is to support research projects in the social sciences. The total number of awards will depend on the number of fundable applications and their required budgets but it is expected that 5 - 7 awards will be made and that the typical project funded will receive support of between €1,000 and €4,000.

The types of activities that may be funded include (but are not limited to): research events; research assistants and data digitization/collation; conference expenses; access to databases; and workshop organisation. The Review Committee will also consider scoping studies that could lead to larger-scale research funding applications, such as those at EU level.

Proposals should use the application form, **taking note of the word limits in each section**, and will be assessed as follows:

1. **Quality of detail** about the proposed project, including its potential contribution to the relevant field (4 marks). This includes how a description of the project, its methodological approach and expected outputs, and how the project relates and contributes to existing research in the field.
2. **Budget justification**, and a description of the potential impact of the funds associated with a Fellowship, and value for money (3 marks).
3. **Description of applicant** track record and potential impact of proposed project (3 marks). Those evaluating proposals will be looking for a clear link between existing research and the proposed project and evidence that the PI is able to deliver on the proposed project.

Decisions on applications will be made by a Review Committee drawn from the TRiSS Executive Committee, which consists of the Director of TRiSS and representatives of each of its constituent Schools and disciplines.

**Applications should be submitted by email to** [**triss@tcd.ie**](mailto:triss@tcd.ie) **by 5pm on Friday 28th March, 2025. Please save your document as a WORD file with your name first then surname eg “MelAdayARF 2025.docx”. Note the terms and conditions, which follow on the next page.**

**Terms and Conditions**

* Permanent members of the academic staff and full-time members of the academic staff who are on a contract of more than one year's duration are eligible to apply for awards.
* Successful applicants should note that proper acknowledgement of support from TRiSS and Trinity’s Dean of Research must be made in any resulting research output, such as a publication or conference presentation.
* The funds must be used by 30 June 2026. Unused resources will be returned to TRiSS.
* Only one application per individual will be considered in any one year.
* On completion of the project, a written report is required which will be featured on our website and social media channels. Fellows may be expected to give a TRiSS research seminar/bitesize talk on their research.

**About TRiSS**

Trinity Research in Social Sciences ([www.tcd.ie/triss](http://www.tcd.ie/triss)) brings together researchers in the social sciences from across Trinity College Dublin. It provides a single identifying physical and intellectual location for social science research in Trinity connecting social science researchers across multiple schools for the purposes of collaboration. TRiSS has eight member Schools and a total of 15 member units, listed below.

* School of Education
* School of Law
* School of Linguistic, Speech and Communication Sciences
  + Centre for Language & Communication Studies
  + Clinical Speech & Language Studies
  + Centre for Deaf Studies
* School of Religion, Theology and Peace Studies
  + Irish School of Ecumenics
  + Loyola Institute
* School of Psychology
* School of Social Sciences & Philosophy
  + Economics
  + Political Science
  + Sociology
  + Philosophy
* School of Social Work & Social Policy
* Trinity Business School