

DAU PROGRAMS FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH SUPPORT

SCIENTIFIC PUBLISHING FUNDING PROGRAM

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Scientific Publishing Funding Program

The mission, goals, and objectives of DAU's Strategic Plan (2023-2027) clearly indicate its interest in promoting scientific research. The Scientific Publishing Funding Program was designed to encourage faculty members to publish in highly ranked scientific journals and apply for funding after publication.

Program's Objectives:

- 1- Motivating and encouraging distinguished faculty members to pursue scientific research.
- 2- Enhancing the quality of research at the university.
- 3- Providing support to researchers, including faculty members, adjunct and visiting professors, clinical professors in health colleges who are appointed by councils within these colleges, and university students and encouraging them to publish in prestigious and highly rated scientific journals.
- 4- Promote a positive research culture and encourage competition.
- 5- Enhancing the reputation of the university in scientific research.

Accepted Publishing Venues:

- 1- Published in a reputable scientific journal with a high Impact Factor.
- 2- Only journals indexed in Scopus and Web of Science are accepted as publishing venues. A research paper published in Arabic may also be accepted for publication by journals in the Arabic Citation and Impact Factor (ARCIF) database, but the research must be published in a peer-reviewed journal affiliated with a Saudi university or scientific association or an Arab university recommended by the Ministry of Education, plus an ISSN deposit number and international registration.
- 3- In Scopus, journals should not be classified below Q2. In the Web of Science database, all quartiles are accepted, but publications in journals listed in the Emerging Sources Citation Index (ESCI) are not accepted.

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- 4- In cases where the journal is classified in both Scopus and Web of Science databases, the highest applicable classification should be considered when determining the publication incentive.
- 5- The journal publishing the research paper must have been indexed in Scopus or Web of Science for at least three years prior to publication. Publication incentives are based on the journal's classification in the issue in which the research was published. Declassification of the journal before the incentive is granted renders it an invalid publication venue, and the incentive is undeserved.
- 6- To receive scientific publishing funding, the researcher must not have received funding for publishing in the same journal within the past two years.
- 7- Annual funding for a researcher's scientific publishing is limited to 30,000 S.R., except for those published in Web of Science Q1 journals.
- 8- Requests for scientific publishing funding must be submitted within two months of the actual publication date.
- 9- Journal names should not appear on any list of predatory publishers and journals.

Incentive Entitlement Requirements:

- 1- The applicant must be affiliated with the university (faculty members, adjunct and visiting professors, clinical professors in health colleges appointed by their college councils, and university students).
- 2- The research paper must be original (original article).
- 3- Adherence to research ethics and obtaining prior approval from the university's Research Ethics Committee if the research topic requires it.
- 4- If more than one affiliation is cited in the published research, the primary affiliation must be DAU, as follows:

Department of ..., College of ..., Dar Al Uloom University, address of the university.

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5- An acknowledgment of research support from Dar Al Uloom University must appear in the research paper in the following format:

This research was funded by the General Directorate of Scientific Research & Innovation, Dar Al Uloom University, through the Scientific Publishing Funding Program.

- 6- Incentives are only eligible after publication, and acceptance letters do not count.
- 7- The researcher's email address in the published paper must be his/her DAU email address, and this email should be used for all correspondence with the journal.
- 8- To be entitled to receive the full publishing funding, the researcher must be the sole author.
- 9- If university-affiliated researchers conduct joint research and the first author is not the corresponding author, each researcher will be entitled to 50% of the publication funding.
- 10- For research involving both university-affiliated and external researchers, the corresponding author must be a university affiliate. The entitlement will be as follows:
 - 50% of the publishing funding if the university affiliate is the corresponding author only.
 - 70% of the publishing funding will be awarded if the university affiliate is both the first author and the corresponding author.
 - If the first author and the corresponding author are both university affiliates, they will equally share 70% of the publication funding.
 - If joint research is conducted with a DAU student or students, the university affiliate will be entitled to the full publishing funding.

Incentive Payment Procedures:

1- The researcher submits a publication incentive application to the Chairman of the Scientific Research and Innovation Committee in the college, along with all the required documents.



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- 2- The Chairman of the Scientific Research and Innovation Committee in the college submits the application to the Dean, along with a report confirming that the research meets all the eligibility criteria. An application that does not meet the eligibility criteria will be rejected by the committee.
- 3- The college's Dean refers to the complete application with its attachments to the Research Support Unit at the General Directorate of Scientific Research and Innovation.
- 4- The Research Support Unit submits its recommendations to the General Directorate of Scientific Research and Innovation after ensuring all requirements have been met.
- 5- When a scientific research application is approved by the General Directorate of Scientific Research and Innovation, it is forwarded to the Finance Department, which completes the procedure for incentive payment based on the approved budget for scientific research for the academic year.
- 6- Scientific publishing funding is provided in accordance with the university's regulations, and the university reserves the right to suspend or terminate it.

Publishing Incentive Scale

Premier Journals	Incentive's Amount (S.R.)
Science and Nature Journals	25,000 S.R.

Journals ranked in Web of Science	Incentive's Amount (S.R.)
Q1	15,000
Q2	12,000
Q3	8,000
Q4	5,000

Journals ranked in Scopus	Incentive's Amount (S.R.)
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Q1	8,000
Q2	6,000
Arabic journals ranked in ARCIF	2,000

Publication Fees Reimbursement

- 1- If all researchers are DAU affiliates the university reimburses the full publication fees, up to the specified maximum limit, based on the classification of the publication venue.
- 2- In research involving researchers from both within and outside the university, the percentage of publication fees reimbursed equals the percentage of eligibility for publication incentives.
- 3- Publication fees are only reimbursed if not previously reimbursed by another entity.
- 4- A reimbursement is only provided upon receipt of a payment receipt issued by the publishing journal in the applicant's name.
- 5- Table below shows the maximum amount the university reimburses for publication fees based on the publication venue's classification level:

Journal	Maximum Fees Reimbursement (S.R)
Science and Nature Journals	Publication fees fully reimbursed
Web of Science Q1	5,000
Web of Science Q2	4,000
Web of Science Q3	3,000
Web of Science Q4	2,000
Scopus Q1	4,000
Scopus Q2	3,000
ARCIF	1,000