

GRANT WRITING WORKSHOP FOR EARLY-TO-MID CAREER ACADEMIC STAFF, POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS AND SCIENTISTS

DATES: 6TH – 8TH APRIL, 2022

Sponsored by: East African Kidney Institute/Department of Surgery, University of Nairobi, Kenya.

In order to achieve vision 2030, Kenya needs robust institutions with enhanced capacity to attract funding to support and expand innovation and research in diverse disciplines to objectively inform progress and synergy for human development nationally and internationally. Institutions with a robust grants portfolio have greater financial stability and enhanced ability to withstand fluctuations in funding from traditional resources.

The growth of University education in the last two decades in Kenya has necessitated increased recruitment of faculty many of whom are in early career development stage. This group is a national asset and must be promptly netted and mentored in research so as to augment the existing body of mid and later career researchers to ensure sustained and improved growth of research output.

Structured training in grants writing has potential to lay a solid foundation for broader engagement in research among early to mid-career scientist. As a contribution to that end, the East African Kidney Institute (University of Nairobi) has organized a **three (3)-day residential training workshops on grants writing to be held between 6th and 8th April, 2022**. The workshop is focused on training early to mid career academic staff, postgraduate students and scientists on quality grant writing. This is expected to inspire confidence, strengthen skills and provide linkage with experienced mentors. The workshops will enhance the capacity of the participants to attract funding, better manage grants, raise the level of scholarly output and better mentor graduate students under their care.

Workshop Objectives:

1. Enhance grant writing and management skills among participants
2. Expose participants to strategies to search for funding opportunities
3. Support participants in peer networking and linkage with research mentors.

Target Group for the Workshop (Any of the following):

1. Recent PhD graduates (< 5 years post-qualification)
2. Early-Mid career academic staff/ researchers
3. Postgraduate students (biomedical and social science)

Notes:

1. Participants from the following institutions are encouraged to apply: Universities and research institutions from Kenya and East African community region, public hospitals and government parastatals/ministries from Kenya
2. Application should be made online using google-forms **before 13th March 2022** on the link

[Grant Writing Workshop for Young University Academic Staff, Postgraduate Students and Researchers \(google.com\)](https://www.google.com)

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