

February 2023

## **EXACTUS Doctoral programme grant for completing a doctoral degree**

Application period: 27 February – 23 March 2023 (call closes at 23:59)

**Grant period:** The grant can be applied for 1–3 months. The awarded grant months must be used without a break within the time period: 1 April – 31 December 2023.

Grant amount: 2080 €/month

**Target group:** The grant can be applied for by a doctoral researcher who is in the final stages of completing a doctoral degree, and who has an active study right to pursue a doctoral degree at the University of Turku in Doctoral Programme in Exact Sciences (EXACTUS). The EXACTUS grant for completing a doctoral degree can be received only once. Please, only apply for the grant if you are in the final stages of completing a doctoral degree during 2023 (in other words, completing the postgraduate studies still possibly required for the doctoral degree, and finalising the dissertation manuscript so that it can be submitted for preexamination).

**Purpose of use of the grant and the conditions of applying:** During the grant period, the doctoral researcher is assumed to complete the postgraduate studies still possibly required for the doctoral degree and/or finalise the dissertation manuscript so that it can be submitted for *pre-examination*. The grant for completing a doctoral degree requires full-time working/studying. The grant cannot be received at the same time with earned income from the University of Turku, full-time work by another employer, or another working grant.

The grant recipient commits to reporting on their progress to the coordinator (eevi.savola@utu.fi) within four weeks of the end of the grant period.

If the situation of the applicant is changed so that abovementioned conditions are no longer fulfilled, the grant recipient must inform the coordinator without delay.

**Applying:** The applications are submitted electronically. In addition to the electronic application, the supervisor of the applicant must confirm that the information in the grant application is correct by emailing eevi.savola@utu.fi at the latest 23 March 2023 (please write in the subject line "EXACTUS completion grant/name of the applicant").

**Funding decisions:** The applications submitted by the deadline will be evaluated by the EXACTUS Doctoral Programme using the following criteria:

- The completion rate of the doctoral dissertation
- The completion rate of the studies required for the degree
- The realism of the plan for completing the doctoral degree
- The earlier granted funding for doctoral studies
- The need for funding that enables full-time studies/working and the significance of the grant for completing the degree

Priority is given to doctoral researchers who present a realistic plan for finalising their doctoral degree in 2023. The number of applications and the amount of money that can be granted in all, affect the awarded grants. The grant decision will be announced to applicants by email, and on the website of the EXACTUS program.

Further information: Coordinator Eevi Savola (eevi.savola@utu.fi)

