



# KERALA UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

## OFFICE OF THE DEAN, RESEARCH

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### NOTIFICATION

**Subject: Inviting applications for KUHS Research Appreciation Award 2026-27**

University is inviting applications ( online mode only) from eligible undergraduate students of the affiliated institutions to register for the KUHS Research Appreciation Award 2026-27. **The registration link will be active for one month, starting from 01.07.2026 to 31.07.2026 in the KUHS Students portal. Students in their First year and Final Year will not be eligible to apply.**

#### About this award

1. The KUHS Research Appreciation Award is instituted to encourage undergraduate students to take up short-term research projects during their training. They can engage in hands-on research, mentored by senior faculty.
2. The submission of the KUHS Research Appreciation Award application/proposal is a two-step process. Interested students should register online, by uploading research proposal, Ethics Committee approval , Application Attestation Form ( AAF) .
3. **One student can register only once with a project, during the notification period; duplicate registration will lead to disqualification.**
4. The student has to choose a faculty member ( from the college) registered in FEP as a guide for the study. A faculty can guide only one student every year. **If more than one application is forwarded by a guide, all such applications will be rejected forthwith.**
5. **Application of the student forwarded by a guide ( online only) should be submitted to the University before the last date.**
6. The applications will undergo evaluation, and the selection list will be published by the University. The selected students will have to complete the project within 6 months, and submit the project report within the date specified by the University. The student will be awarded the prize money & the e-Certificate only if his/her final report is approved by KUHS. . The scholarship amount is INR 10,000 ( Rupees Ten Thousand Only) . About 1000 students of KUHS can get the scholarship in a given year.

#### Special instructions to the candidates and instiutions

I)This program is only for registered UG students from institutions affiliated to KUHS. Students in their First year and Final Year will not be eligible to apply.

II)The candidate shall submit the application through online , by uploading research proposal, Ethics Committee approval , Application Attestation Form ( AAF). **In case, it is felt that research belongs to exempt category a**





**“Certificate of exemption” may be obtained from the IEC and submitted. Applications submitted without approval/certificate from the Institutional Ethics Committee, and Application Attestation Form(AAF) will be rejected.**

III) **The Application Attestation Form ( AAF) , in the prescribed format as given as Appendix I , is required to be properly filled , affixing recent passport size photograph, and should be signed by the student . The AAF should be attested by the Guide, HOD, and Head of the Institution.**

IV) The student shall obtain prior clearance/approval from the Institutional Ethics Committee (IEC) if the research proposal involves human participants and from the Institutional Animal Ethics Committee (IAEC) if the study involves the use of animals. **However, approval/certificate from the Institutional Ethics Committee (IEC) is mandatory in all cases, irrespective of the nature of the study.**

V) If Research which does not involve human participants, samples or data may be categorized by Ethics Committee to fall under “Exemption from ethical review”. The decision is taken by Ethics Committee or its Secretariat. The decision in this regard cannot be taken by the Student/Guide/HOD. **In case, it is felt that research belongs to exempt category a “Certificate of exemption” may be obtained from the IEC and submitted.**

VI) In the IEC/IAEC approval letter, the name of the student, guide and title of study (as per the proposal submitted) and approval status should clearly be mentioned. Ethics Committee approval letter for other similar projects of the Guide will not be accepted. A separate IEC approval is required for student’s KUHS UG Research Scholarship

VII) **Research Proposal should be prepared in brief with the following sections:**

1. Title (up to 25 words)
2. Introduction (up to 300 words).
3. Objectives (up to 100 words)
4. Methodology (up to 800 words).
5. Implications (up to 100 words).
6. References (up to 300 words- Vancouver style only).

VIII) **There should not be any identifying information of the student , Guide, and the Institution, in the research proposal uploaded. Instead of using the name of the hospital or individual, general terms should be employed. Any identifying information in the proposal uploaded, will lead to rejection. Identifying information must also be removed from the study proforma , questionnaire, Patient information sheet and Informed consent form as well.**

#### **How to apply**

1. **The eligible UG students can apply for this award from 01.07.2026 to 31.07.2026, through their KUHS student portal.**
2. Students can login to KUHS Students Portal using Student ID, Password, and DOB, and find 'KUHS UG Research award ' from the menu ' KUHS Research award'.
3. Fill the details including the details of the guide, and mandatorily upload Institutional Ethics Committee approval/certificate, duly filled Application Attestation Form ( AAF), and Research proposal.
4. Save the details and forward to guide.
5. The guide can see the application forwarded by thie student in their FEP login, and need to verify and forward the application to the University through the FEP login.
6. The application will be submitted to University only when the guide approve and forward the application through their FEP portal.

**Staring date for the submission of applications: 01.07.2026.**

**Last date for the submission of applications: 31.07.2026.**

Please refer the [guidelines](#) for more details.

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