

Criteria for funding from the Open Access Feuerwehrrfonds

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Preamble

For many years, the University of Bayreuth has been providing financial support to university members who wish to publish articles or books in open access through the Open Access Publication Fund. However, in the case of both gold open access publishing and publications in hybrid journals under the DEAL agreements, the costs incurred often cannot be covered in full by the Open Access Publication Fund, meaning that researchers must contribute to the financing themselves.

This contribution can be a financial burden, especially for young researchers, who usually don't have their own funds or third-party funding yet. For this group, there's now an extra funding option available with the Open Access Feuerwehrrfonds. This additional funding lets young researchers choose where to publish based mainly on content, not due to available money and publishing costs.

Who can apply for funding from the Open-Access-Feuerwehrrfonds?

- Researchers who are the (*submitting*) *corresponding author* (for books: author or editor) and are members of the University of Bayreuth at the time of application,
- Researchers who are the (*submitting*) *corresponding author* (for books: author or editor) and are meanwhile former members of the University of Bayreuth but were members at the time the work was created/written,
- Students and emeriti/retired researchers who are (*submitting*) *corresponding authors* (in the case of books: authors or editors) are in principle also eligible to apply.

Which publications can be funded via the Open Access Feuerwehrrfonds?

- Only work whose underlying research (for the most part) was conducted at the University of Bayreuth will be funded.
- Only work that has (already) been funded by the University of Bayreuth's publication fund or is eligible for such funding will be supported.

Which types of costs can be funded by the Open Access Feuerwehrrfonds?

- Funds from the Open Access Feuerwehrrfonds may only be used to finance own contributions to the following fees:
 - *Article Processing Charges* (APC),
 - *Book Processing Charges* (BPC),
 - PAR Fees under the terms of the DEAL agreements.
- All other types of fees (e.g. *submission fees, cover charges, page charges, colour charges, printing subsidies*) cannot be supported or funded.

Up to which amount can a publication be funded by the Open Access Feuerwehrrfonds?

- Articles can be funded with up to 2.100 Euro by the Open Access Feuerwehrrfonds.
- Books (monographs and anthologies) can be funded with up to 2.500 Euro by the Open Access Feuerwehrrfonds.
- Exception: Books that have received or will receive a lump sum from the DFG program "Open Access Publication Costs" due to their DFG funding background cannot be funded by the Open Access Feuerwehrrfonds.
- In individual cases and only after prior consultation, it may be possible to apply for a higher funding amount.