

## Grants to University students from the Westfjords Fisheries Cluster

**Intended recipients**: undergraduate or graduate students at Icelandic universities.

**For what**: Final projects aimed at creating more value from marine resources or strengthening the economy in the Westfjords.

What kind of projects: Projects can be proposed from two starting points. Either come up with an idea yourself or work on predetermined ideas from companies in the Westfjords Fisheries Cluster. A number of companies are partners in the Westfjords Fisheries Cluster. In addition to the grant, they can be consulted for participation, whether their participation is in the form of information sharing, raw material collection or use of facilities.

An Ocean of Ideas will choose 5-8 final projects that will receive grants ranging from 250,000-750,000 ISK depending on the scope.

The deadline is November 15, 2023.

## The aims of the final projects are to:

- Encourage innovation.
- Create connections between university students and businesses through partnerships.
- Create new and attractive jobs in the fishing industry or related industries in the Westfjords.
- Gain evidence-based knowledge about the coastal communities of the Westfjords.

The final projects may involve projects in the natural, technological, business and social sciences related to fisheries. The projects can therefore be carried out on a broad theoretical basis and within different fields. The grants are designed to cover research costs, whether those costs arise from sampling, measurements, interviews, or anything else directly relevant to the study.

## **Applications**

Applications are made on the Ocean of Ideas project page

The following needs to be included in your application:

- 1. Applicant name, national identification number (kennitala), and email address
- 2. Summary of the project
- 3. Educational institution
- 4. Project partners
- 5. Objectives of the project
- 6. A description of the background of participants and their partners, if applicable
- 7. Which type of partner is requested
- 8. Amount applied for
- 9. Description of how the project will promote fisheries in the Westfjords or improve the Westfjordian community
- 10. Implementation plan
- 11. Timeplan
- 12. Budget

## **Assessment group**

An Ocean of Ideas assessment team will select from the submitted applications.

