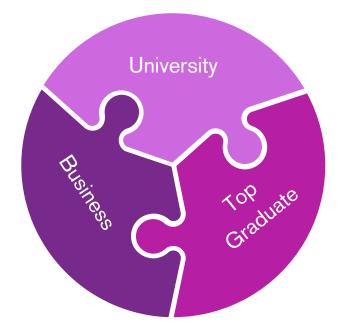


What is a Knowledge Transfer Partnership?

a Knowledge Transfer Partnership (KTP) is a UK-wide innovation programme designed to boost business competitiveness by providing the essential pieces, such as funding support and proven knowledge transfer methodology, to embed university generated new expertise required by the business to introduce new processes, products or services for competitive advantage. The knowledge is transferred and embedded into the business by a dedicated full-time associate employed by the university.

The KTP programme part-funds collaborations between a growth-oriented UK business and university; employing a recent graduate to work on an innovative R&D project to transfer and embed university expertise to deliver commercial business impact.

Collaborative Innovation



Reducing waste New technology Understanding data Competing globally Sustainable change Supply chain

The business benefit by acquiring business critical new knowledge, know-how, technology and strategic capabilities. The KTP programme is managed by Innovate UK, the UK's innovation agency, and supported by public-sector grant funding.

KTPs are open to all sectors, and large and SMEswith projects ranging in length from one to three years.

Key Facts

- Up to 75% grant funding available via KTPs to embed innovation (75% for charities, 67% for SMEs and 50% for large business)
- The business can reclaim their financial investment through R&D tax credits (the government classifies KTPs as investment in research and development)
- Our KTP portfolio is worth more than £1.4 million
- DMU's success rate is above the national average at 100%
- One of our recent KTPs resulted in a turnover growth of 30% for the business partner

Is a KTP right for my business?

To be eligible for innovation funding via KTPs you must have:

- A need to introduce innovative solutions and capabilities in your business for growth, competitive advantage and profitability
- A UK-based business or not-for-profit organisations of sufficient size to support the project (usually at least six employees)
- The financial capacity to fund the project costs and related commercialisation
- Trading for at least three years

How KTPs work?

KTP programmes follow a successful tried and tested formula to increase UK business competitiveness through innovation. The formula uses six simple stages as illustrated below:

Step 1

Speak to KTP team at DMU to discuss your business need and identify relevant academic expertise

Step 3

Refine and strengthen the KTP proposal and submit application to one of the regular funding call deadlines

Step 5

Graduate Associate is recruited and collaborative project starts. The collaborative partners regularly meet and are supported by the KTP Advisor and DMU KTP Team



Step 2

Work with DMU
Academics and KTP Team
to develop a compelling
proposal to apply for
funding via one of the
Innovate UK funding calls

Step 4

Secure grant funding and together recruit a suitably qualified Graduate Associate to lead and deliver the project based in the business

Step 6

Deliver the project objectives successfully, continue engaging with DMU to access additional support to aid commercialisation and undertake new research collaborations