Office of Research Services

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Division of Research & Innovation

About the Division
The Division of Research and Innovation supports QUT’s innovation agenda through its partnerships with faculties, institutes, local community, industry and government.

Office of the DVC
The Office of the DVC manages the staff, resources and activities of the Division’s Offices.

Office of Research Services
The Office of Research supports and stimulates the development of QUT’s research profile by providing expert advice and assistance to the research community.

Office of Research Ethics and Integrity
OREI helps researchers seek ethical approvals and meet research integrity obligations.

Research Students Centre
RSC provides support, advice and training to higher degree research candidates and supervisors.

Bluebox
QUT’s innovation and knowledge transfer company working with researchers to identify, protect and enable the commercialisation of QUT’s innovations.

eResearch
The eResearch office supports researchers and external end users to ensure that technological solutions are fit for purpose and best of breed.

Research Services@QUT transformation
The University is pursuing a number of transformation initiatives to ensure its continuing success and long-term sustainability. This includes improving service delivery by a number of key areas including Research Services@QUT.
Division of Research & Innovation

Office of the DVC (D/Prof Patsy Yates - acting)
- Supports the DVC-RI in managing and coordinating the Division’s activities and supports the Division’s budget

Office of Research Ethics and Integrity (Anne Walsh)
- Assists researchers with ethics approval/governance (animal/human/biological).
- Supports researchers to meet statutory and research integrity obligations.

Research Students Centre (Prof Helen Klaebe)
- Supports, advises and trains RHD candidates and supervisors
Office of eResearch (Prof Matthew Bellgard)
- Works with researchers and technology domain experts to keep abreast of leading-edge technology to ensure rapid adoption of innovative quality solutions

qutbluebox Pty Limited (Tim McLennan)
- QUT’s innovation and knowledge transfer company
- Works with researchers to identify, protect and enable commercialisation of QUT’s innovations.

Office of Research Services (Michael McArdle)
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Research Grants Pillar (Katie York)
- domestic and international competitive research funding opportunities
- research career development and training
- competitive funding submissions

Industry Research Pillar (Dr Genevieve Giuliani)
- commercial research
- competitive leveraged schemes (e.g. ARC Linkage, CRC-Projects)
- consulting
- clinical trials
- other commercial activities

Major Research Initiatives Pillar (Dr Gudrun Seynsche)
- large-scale, University-wide strategic research initiatives (e.g. CRCs, ARC Centres of Excellence, Industry funded research centres)
- large scale research infrastructure initiatives
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Legal Services Unit (Anna Feros)
- Provides legal advice to ORS

Project Management Unit (Alison Vawser)
- Establishes research project accounts and budget set up
- Issues invoices to funding bodies and partners
- Coordinates project reporting (set up and ongoing) and variations
- Engages with QUT community re financial and budget information and advice

Research Information and Systems Support (Vu Hoang)
- Manages QUT’s ERA submission
- Manages and maintains QUT’s research database – ResearchMaster (RM)
- Manages and maintains the Research Achievement Database (RAD)
- Provides reports to QUT community
Research Grants

- Registered contact point for external granting agencies
- Manages all competitive, application-based funding schemes (including foundations/trusts)
- Domestic and International
- Raise awareness of funding opportunities
- Application review
- Post award component (contracting)
Types of Funding Opportunities

- Commercial research – not a competitive process (apart from tenders), working with industry or other partners to develop a project they wish to fund – managed via a research services agreement
- Competitive research grants – basic, strategic or applied research funded by an external agency (generally federal (eg. ARC) or state (eg. AQIRF) government or foundation) through an application-based, competitive peer review process
- Cooperative Research Centres – CRCs in which QUT is a participant and CRC-Ps
Find Funding Opportunities

- Funding Calendar
- Regular eNews
- Emails
- Twitter
- Local Area
Identifying Funding Opportunities

Funding databases managed by QUT Library
https://www.library.qut.edu.au/research/toolkit/funding.jsp

Contact your Liaison Librarian to set up your search terms to receive regular alerts:
https://www.library.qut.edu.au/about/contact/liaisonlibrarians.jsp#creative
Funding Opportunities eNews

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Funding Opportunities

This email will be distributed on a regular basis to promote funding opportunities, we will continue to send separate advice regarding some of the larger schemes.

Follow us on Twitter here:

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**Important Announcements**

- The Advance Queensland Women’s Research Assistance Program (WRAP) program supports female scientists within Queensland-based research organisations to maintain their research when they are on maternity or adoption leave. Grants of up to $25,000 are available to eligible applicants. Please refer to the [Further details](#) for more information.
- If you haven’t already – don’t forget to follow us on [Twitter](#) for updates as they come!

**ARC and NHMRC news**

- The [ARC and NHMRC](#) have now released the application dates for 2019-2020 rounds. The dates can be found via the following links: [ARC Grants Calendar](#) and [NHMRC 2020 New Grant Program: application dates for major schemes](#). The Office of Research Services will advise of internal due dates in due course.
- The ARC has launched an exciting and improved [Grants Search](#), now available as part of the ARC’s new [Data Portal](#) — joining the data provided on Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) and Engagement and Impact (EI), released recently. There are many improvements in Grants Search II, please refer to the [Feature article: Launch of Grants Search II](#) to find out more.
- Information relating to the [Australian Research Council (ARC)](#) and [National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC)](#) funding rounds is also available on the [Digital Workplace](#).

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**Upcoming Events**

- Please click the relevant event for full details, including time and room. [Links require QUT log-in.](#)

**Thursday, 18 July 2019**

- [ORS Information Session: ARC College of Experts Panel Discussion: Developing Successful ARC DECRAs Applications](#)
- **Time:** 10:00am-12:00pm
- **Venue:** Gardens Point Campus, P Block, Room 512
- [RSVP now!](#)

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**Resources**

- [Links require QUT log-in.](#)
- [Successful Application Repository](#)
- [ORS Budget tool](#)
## ORS Funding Calendar

**Recently added**

Click here to access the whole calendar, or see below for recently added schemes. Links require QUT log-in.

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The Prince Charles Hospital Foundation

Emerging Researcher Grants

The Prince Charles Hospital Foundation’s Emerging Researcher Grants have been developed to provide researchers who have successfully completed a small research grant the opportunity to further develop their skills and experience, while building research capacity at TPCH.

TPCH Foundation Emerging Researcher Grants are available to researchers who have received and completed a small grant (such as a New Investigator Grant from The Prince Charles Hospital Foundation or other similar scheme).

The grant is awarded for a project that must be completed within 12 months and the maximum amount that can be requested is $25,000.

Please refer to the following links for more information:
- Advice to Applicants: Emerging Researcher Grants
- Online Application: EmergingGrants

Eligibility Criteria

1. To be eligible for an Emerging Researcher Grant, the applicant must:
   - Have been awarded a small project grant, such as a TPCH Foundation New Investigator Grant or another similar scheme, under which the applicant was named Chief Investigator. For external grants, a small grant is defined as one that was valued between $2,000 and $50,000.
   - Have successfully completed the grant, including all reporting and acquittal requirements.
   - Have not been named as a Chief Investigator on a grant awarded more than $50,000.
   - Have not been awarded a Fellowship or any other salary support grant over $50,000.
   - Have not any outstanding TPCH Foundation progress reports.

2. Equipment and travel grants are not viewed as project grants for eligibility, similarly, having been awarded an equipment or travel grant, to any value, does not deem an applicant ineligible.

3. Applicants will only be considered if the work is being undertaken or in significant association with, TPCH and/or in association with a TPCH community-based service. However, it is not necessary to be employed by Queensland Health or Metro North Health and Hospital Service.

4. The administering institution must also be notified prior to lodging the application and any relevant approvals obtained.

Key Dates

- Expressions of Interest (EOI)
  - Intent to Apply: Wednesday, 17 July 2019
  - Draft Review: Wednesday, 24 July 2019
  - External Close: Friday, 2 August 2019

- Applications
  - Application process will be completed in two stages, and only the highest ranked Expressions of Interest will be invited to submit a budget and to attend an interview.

Office of Research Services Contacts

Please refer to the Office of Research Services Contacts for the details of the Research Grants team member responsible for your field.

The CASS Foundation

2019 Travel Awards – Round 2

The purpose of the CASS Foundation Travel Awards is to enable Early Career Researchers (ECRs) to attend an international conference of significance to their research. At this conference applicants are expected to be presenting their current research as an invited presenter, as a oral presentation or a poster presentation. The research material to be presented at the conference should be current and not based primarily on the Applicant’s PhD studies. The 2019 Travel Awards – Round 2 will open on 12 August 2019.

For the second round of Travel Awards, the conference commencement date, published on the official conference website must fall within the specified timeframe of 1 November 2019 to 31 May 2020.

Please refer to the following links for more information:
- Award Guidelines
- Application Form

Eligibility Criteria

1. The CASS Foundation considers an ECR to be a researcher whose PhD conference (the date of the PhD award certificate) falls within a five-year window between 30 August 2014 and 30 August 2017.
   - Note 1. Your conferment date is the critical date for consideration by CASS. We only accept, as proof of the date of conferment, the date on your PhD conferment/award certificate. If you do not attach a copy of your PhD conferment/award certificate with your application, you will not be eligible.
   - Note 2. ECRs who do not hold a PhD award but who can demonstrate in their application an equivalent research intensive qualification may be eligible to apply. This is a qualification equivalent to the Level 12 criteria of the Australian Qualifications Framework Second Edition January 2012 where research is the defining characteristic of the Doctoral Degree qualification.

2. Applicants must be either Australian citizens or Australian permanent residents. A visa issued for the purpose of full-time study or temporary employment in Australia (eg Visa 457 or its successor) does not constitute permanent resident status for the purpose of a Travel Award application.

3. Applications from Australian citizens who are resident overseas at the closing date for applications will not be considered.

4. Applicants are required to obtain a Letter of Endorsement (or letterhead) from the person to whom they report in their organisation (ie Head of Department, Group Supervisor, etc). The Letter of Endorsement is an important document which is taken into account in the selection process.

5. An applicant will be awarded only one (1) CASS Travel Award within any two-year period. This means that a previous recipient is not eligible to reapply if they have received a CASS Travel Award for a conference commencing after 1 November 2017.

Key Dates

- Intent to Apply: Monday, 12 August 2019
- Draft Review: Wednesday, 21 August 2019
- External Close: Friday, 30 August 2019

Office of Research Services Contacts

Please refer to the Office of Research Services Contacts for the details of the Research Grants team member responsible for your field.
The purpose of this account is to further support QUT’s research community to identify and apply for competitive research funding opportunities. Follow us on Twitter here: @QUT_OR
Applying for Funding: Internal Process

- Can vary for each scheme
- Seek approval from manager (e.g., HoS), including any required cash/in-kind contributions
- Notify ORS
- Follow QUT deadlines
  - ORS Draft Review
  - ORS Submission Ready Review
- ORS will submit to funding body
Applying for Funding: External Process

- Submission process (including local area process) – can vary for each scheme
- Assessment process
- Applicant involvement in assessment
  - Rejoinder
  - Interview
- Announcement
  - Feedback
Who to talk to

- Supervisor/Mentor
- School/Faculty/Institute research support
- Head of School/Associate Dean Research/Institute Director
- Office of Research Services
Tips for Success

1. Understand the priorities areas being funded by the scheme and ensure your research aligns with a priority area – success rates are generally low, don’t try to make your research fit into a priority if it doesn’t.
2. Tell a good story about the proposed research:
   - What is the problem being addressed?
   - Why is it important to address this problem?
   - Why is this team and this approach the most appropriate way to address this problem?
   - What is new about what is being proposed?
3. Clear mapping out the project, the methodologies to be applied, population sample and access, timeline, to demonstrate project innovation and feasibility – don’t leave any gaps.
4. Demonstrate that you/the team have the required skills and expertise to successfully complete the project.
5. Partner with relevant organisations to demonstrate the need for the project within the sector and to facilitate impact.
6. Work with multidisciplinary teams to increase ability to respond to priorities of different schemes.
Tips for Success

- Multidisciplinary research is interesting and provides opportunity for innovation.
- Team up with researchers in complimentary fields.
- Identify mentors that will enhance and facilitate your career development opportunities
ORS Contacts

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NHMRC

- Australian Government’s primary health and medical research funding agency
- Funds across the spectrum of health and medical research
- Invests in people with outstanding research achievement and promise
- Supports the most innovative research to solve complex problems
- Meets specific strategic objectives
Investigator Grants
Synergy Grants
Ideas Grants
Strategic and Leveraging Grants
NHMRC Investigator Grants

- Support the research program of outstanding investigators at all career stages
- Builds the capacity of Australian research for the future
- Two categories - Emerging Leadership (10 yrs post PhD) and Leadership
- Offers a consolidated five-year funding package that includes salary (if required) and research support package (standard amount for EL, score determined amount for L)
Support outstanding multidisciplinary teams of investigators to work together to answer major questions that cannot be answered by a single investigator

Offers teams of between 4 – 10 CIs a fixed, five-year $5 million funding package to address major problems in all areas of human health and medical research, from discovery to translation

Fosters highly collaborative teams of diverse researchers, including by gender, career stage, and cultural background
Support focused, innovative research projects

Fosters creative research for teams of 1-10 CIs at all career stages to address specific question/s in any area of health and medical research from discovery to implementation (except where a NHMRC Clinical Trials and Cohort Studies is the primary objective)

Grants between 1-5 years, budgeted based on assessment
Centres of Research Excellence
Development Grants
EU Collaborative Research Grants
Partnership Projects
Clinical Trials and Cohort Studies Grants
Targeted Calls for Research
Boosting Dementia Research Grants
## NHMRC Eligibility Cross Scheme

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Medical Research Endowment Account is funded to approximately $800M per annum

MREA Allocation

- Investigator: 40%
- Synergy: 30%
- Ideas: 25%
- SLG: 5%
Category 1: Australian competitive grant R&D income
Category 2: Other public sector R&D income
Category 3: Industry and other R&D income
Category 4: Cooperative Research Centre (CRC) R&D income
All research income must be reported to the Australian Government via the Higher Education Research Data Collection (HERDC). This is part of the funding calculation for universities and is comprised of research income and research publications data.

The HERDC specifications are designed to ensure research block grants provided by the Australian Government are allocated fairly and transparently and support the policy intent of the funding.

Each year the Australian Government Department of Education, in consultation with Universities and other relevant stakeholders, updates the HERDC Specifications.

Data collected, along with Higher Education Student Data Collection, is used to determine annual allocations for the research block grants.
Category One: Foundations and Trusts as at August 2019

Category 1 Trust and Foundation Grants consist only of those research schemes/programs listed on the ACGR.

All schemes are nationally listed on the ACGR for 5 years unless otherwise stated on the register.
Category 1: Foundations and Trusts

- Alzheimer’s Australia Dementia Research Foundation: [Dementia Grants Program](#)
- Bupa Foundation (Australia) Limited: [Bupa Health Foundation (research component only)](#)
- Cure for MND Foundation: [Cure for MND Translational Research Grants](#)
- Diabetes Australia Research Trust (DART): [General Grants and Millennium Awards](#)
- HCF Research Foundation: [Health Services Research Grants Program](#)
- Hermon Slade Foundation (HSF) Australia and Pacific Science Foundation (APSF): [Australia Pacific Science Hermon Slade Research Fund](#)
Category 1: Foundations and Trusts Cont.

- Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation: [Type 1 Diabetes Clinical Research Network (T1DCRN); Research Grants](#)
- Leukaemia Foundation: [National Research Program](#)
- Motor Neurone Disease Research Institute of Australia: [Motor Neurone Disease Research Grants (excluding scholarships and travel grants)](#)
- Multiple Sclerosis Research Australia: [Research Grants](#)
- National Breast Cancer Foundation: [National Collaborative Breast Cancer Research Grant Program; Innovator Grant; Career Development Fellowship; Postdoctoral Fellowship](#)
• National Heart Foundation of Australia: Fellowships (Biomedical, Clinical, Public Health, Overseas, Career Development); Future Leader Fellowships; Postdoctoral Fellowships, Vanguard Grants

• New South Wales Office of Environment and Heritage – New South Wales Environmental Trust: Environmental Research Program

• Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia: PCFA Research Program; Movember Revolutionary Team Awards

• The Garnett Passe & Rodney Williams Memorial Foundation: Conjoint Grant; Fellowships Scheme
Category 1: Foundations and Trusts Cont.

• The Movember Group (only specifically listed grant schemes)
  
  Global Action Plan #2 (GAP02) Translational Prostate Cancer Research Awards; True NTH; Global Action Plan #4 (GAP4) – Prostate Cancer Exercise and Metabolic Health Trial; Prostate Cancer Outcomes – Compare and Reduce Variation in Localised Prostate Cancer

• The Movember Group and beyondblue: Australian Mental Health Initiative
Successful Grant Application Repository available but unfortunately has limited participation.

Where possible, please consider making your successful project applications available to your colleagues.

- Google Shared Document: [https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/19r1Fhq6EGDBbSKsgvlukmhpgrwjWY7fhAkf0s2AWLY/edit#gid=1325394106](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/19r1Fhq6EGDBbSKsgvlukmhpgrwjWY7fhAkf0s2AWLY/edit#gid=1325394106)
QUT Successful Category 1 Foundations and Trust Grants

Bupa Foundation (Australia) Limited
Diabetes Australia
National Breast Cancer Foundation (NBCF)
National Heart Foundation of Australia (Fellowships and Vanguard Grants)
NSW Office of Environment and Heritage – NSW Environmental Trust
Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia (PCFA)
The Garnett Passe & Rodney Williams Memorial Foundation (GPRWMF)
The Movember Group
The Movember Group and beyondblue