Edith Cowan University (ECU) seeks to create positive outcomes in our communities through mutually beneficial partnerships. ECU has developed industry engagement research grants, PhD scholarships, and short term research placements (iPREP WA), to engage with industries, community organisations and government bodies. Participation in these programs is beneficial for industry partners as there is the potential to:

- Receive innovative and creative solutions to business problems.
- Recruit outstanding PhD graduates from the program as future employees.
- Increase engagement with universities to ensure research outcomes are relevant to industry.

Feedback from an iPREP WA industry mentor:

“As a start-up company that requires a great deal of academic focus on the R&D elements, the discounted access to academic talent and extra hands on deck were very worthwhile. Apart from the resource component, it also brought a lot of intangible benefits like expansion of our networks, linkages within a number of universities and an increased public profile. We estimate that the PhD student team saved us $100,000 in consulting fees over the 6 week period”.

Shawn Ryan, Executive Director of Bombora Wave Power
www.waresearch.com
Industry Engaged Projects and Activities

6-week Industry Research Placement (iPREP WA)

iPREP WA is a joint initiative between the five WA universities, which places interdisciplinary teams of senior PhD students on a short-term project with an industry partner. We are seeking research placements for teams of three students, a mentor from your organisation and contribution to the award for successful students selected for your team (cost per project would be $5,000 - $15,000). Industry partners are advertised to all five WA universities, and publically through a central website. This is an excellent opportunity to gain expert advice from an interdisciplinary team of experienced researchers.

For more information contact: iPREP WA Coordinator, iprepwa@ecu.edu.au, www.waresearch.com

Industry Engagement PhD Scholarships

Industry engagement scholarships link top research students with an industry PhD project. ECU is seeking industry partners to establish research projects and contribute financial and in-kind support. In-kind support may be in the form of expertise, equipment or data. The level of support provided for each project may vary, and increases the students scholarship and project funds. As a minimum a $20,000 commitment over a three year project would be required.

For more information contact: the Graduate Research School, grs@ecu.edu.au

Industry Sponsored PhD Scholarships

ECU is seeking philanthropic industry sponsorship for a 3-year industry PhD scholarship. These scholarships will be widely promoted and branded with the industry partners name. Administered by ECU, the scholarship will be advertised across all disciplines around a key theme or research area identified by the industry partner. An investment of $100,000 over three years would be required to establish an industry sponsored PhD scholarship.

For more information, contact the Graduate Research School: grs@ecu.edu.au

ECU Industry Collaboration Scheme

This scheme aims to support research initiatives leading to increased collaboration between ECU and industry. Awards are for one year. A minimum cash commitment required from the combined Partner Organisation(s) is $5,000 (exclusive of GST) and for every dollar in cash invested, ECU will match it with two dollars, to a maximum of $30,000.

For more information contact: Collaboration and Innovation, innovation@ecu.edu.au

ECU Collaboration Enhancement Scheme (CES)

This scheme provides funding to support new developing initiatives that will widen the University’s research collaboration capacity both nationally and internationally. The overall aim of this program is to stimulate and facilitate collaborations with external organisations and provide meaningful outcomes for both parties.

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