## **Edith Cowan University**

Graduate Research



## **PROJECT DETAILS**

Project Title:

Al adoption among SMEs in Western Australia: A study looking at readiness, maturity and challenges

Project Summary: aims, significance, expected outcomes and potential research impact.

Aims: Investigate AI adoption among SMEs in Western Australia. It looks at readiness, maturity, challenges apart from inform strategies for integration differentiating regional and urban SMEs.

Significance: Inform policymakers and business councils, drive economic growth, foster innovation, and enhance regional and urban SME competitiveness.

Expected Outcomes: Enhanced understanding of AI adoption, tailored integration strategies, and recommendations for fostering a supportive ecosystem for both regional and urban SMEs.

Research Impact: Stimulate economic growth, create employment opportunities, and promote a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship in Western Australia.

Preferred applicant skill set, describe the capabilities of the HDR applicant:

We are looking for a self-motivated PhD candidate with excellent organisation, problem-solving and project management skills.

Strongly desired and not essential:

- 1. Mixed method research methodology Quantitative and Qualitative skills including familiarity with SPSS and NVivo (or similar).
- 2. Experience working in the SME space.
- 3. Experience in using AI tools.

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