# Expression of Interest

**2025 HDR Industry Engagement Scholarship Scheme**

*To be completed by the ECU Principal Supervisor*

*Refer to the HDR Industry Engagement Scholarship Guidelines*

## PROJECT DETAILS

## Project Title (*up to 20 words*)

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## Project Summary: aims, significance, expected outcomes (*approx. 100 words*)

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## Research Impact (*potential economic, social, environmental and/or cultural benefits*)

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## How does this project align with: i) ECU’s Research Priority Areas; ii) your School’s research priorities; and iii) the research/supervision track record of you and the rest of the supervisory team (ECU members only)?

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## PROJECT FoR CODES

Provide up to three 4-digit [FoR codes](https://intranet.ecu.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0005/674402/Field-of-Research-Codes.pdf) (from the updated list), with percentage split across the codes.

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Does this project include any of the following? If yes, please provide brief details.

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| Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander research?  Defence-related research?  An international partner or collaboration? |

## CONTRIBUTION FROM PARTNER ORGANISATION

What is the proposed financial contribution from the Partner Organisation for th**is** project?

*Financial contributions may be used to support: student stipend; research costs, travel or other activities related to the Industry HDR project for candidates and supervisors.*

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| **Name of Partner Organisation** | **Amount Committed** |
| **($)**  Minimum commitment: ≥$23,000 p.a.  Commitment period: 3.5 years |
|  | (excl. GST\*) |

*\*Do not include GST. If your financial contribution does not state ‘GST exclusive’, the University must deduct the GST component from the overall financial contribution.*

## Provide details of the candidate’s planned placement with the Partner Organisation. This is required to be for a minimum of 3 months FTE, preferably started within 18 months of the candidate’s commencement. Provide proposed dates and activities to be conducted while on placement.

## What learning opportunities will be provided for the HDR candidate (e.g., research training, mentoring, career/professional skills development, networking)?

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Provide details of the industry representative who will be part of the candidate’s supervisory panel, including name, role and qualifications.

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## What will ECU provide the Partner Organisation (e.g., progress reports, final project report, project presentations, acknowledgement of contribution in publications)?

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## PROPOSED SUPERVISOR/S

(*include proposed industry supervisory arrangements; repeat boxes as needed*)

## Supervisor 1

Name:

Title:

[ORCID ID](https://intranet.ecu.edu.au/research/for-research-staff/research-journey/orcid-at-ecu) (must be linked to ECU if an ECU staff member):

School/Research Institute or Centre/Industry Partner:

Email:

Phone Number:

Principal supervisor  Co-supervisor

HDR completions to date:

## Supervisor 2

Name:

Title:

[ORCID ID](https://intranet.ecu.edu.au/research/for-research-staff/research-journey/orcid-at-ecu) (must be linked to ECU if an ECU staff member):

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Principal supervisor  Co-supervisor

HDR completions to date:

## INDUSTRY PARTNER CONTACT DETAILS

Registered Organisation Name:

ABN:

Contact Person:

Contact Person Title:

Email:

Phone Number:

**CANDIDATE DETAILS**

Has a candidate already been identified? If yes, provide details of their eligibility to be admitted as an HDR candidate at ECU.

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**ADVERTISING THE SCHOLARSHIP**

Is the scholarship to be advertised? If yes, provide details of how, where and when this will be done.

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**END OF APPLICATION**

Version date: 19/12/2024 (in use for 2025)

**Process for Establishing an Industry Engagement MbR/PhD Scholarship Project**

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| **Step** | **Description** | **Action** |
| 1 | Submit EOI to Associate Dean Research (ADR) or delegate for review by the School Scholarship Committee | Supervisor |
| 2 | Recommendations by the School Scholarship Committee are sent to the Manager, Graduate Research Services (GRS) or delegate for approval by Director, Research Services | ADR to Manager GRS (grs@ecu.edu.au)  Manager GRS to Director, Research Services (return to Manager GRS) |
| 3 | Advise the Research Grants team (research-grants@ecu.edu.au) how partner funds are to be allocated between candidate stipend and/or project expenses  Project budget compiled and approved and funding provision set up | Manager GRS to ADR and Supervisor  Finance Research Scholarships Business Support (RSBS) |
| 4 | The industry agreement is finalised by the Research Grants team and provided to RSBS for invoicing and collecting the funding from the industry organisation  RSBS set agreement/scholarship up in the financial system | Research Administration  Finance Research Scholarships Business Support (RSBS) |
| 5 | Research Administration advise Fees and Scholarships Office to establish new scholarship | Research Administration |
| 6 | Recruit MbR/PhD candidate | Supervisor |
| 7 | Apply for ECU admission | Candidate |
| 8 | Organise candidate agreement | Research Administration |
| 9 | Organise scholarship offer | Fees & Scholarships |
| 10a | Organise Confirmation of Enrolment *(international candidates only) and OSHC. Advise RSBS to provide OSHC funding from the scholarship* | Fees & Scholarships |
| 10b | Apply for student visa *(international candidates only)* | Candidate |
| 11a | Commence MbR/PhD: Submit *Starting Advice* form | Candidate |
| 11b | Commence MbR/PhD: Submit *Authorisation to Commence* form | Candidate + Supervisor |

**SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE SUPPORT**

Associate Dean (Research) (ADR) *(or Dean of School if ADR is on the supervisory panel for the proposed project):*

Yes, my School Scholarship Committee supports this application

No, the School Scholarship Committee has reservations regarding this project

If no, please provide details:

**ADR Name: Signature:** **Date:**

Approval is also required of the relevant **Associate Dean Discipline (ADD)**, confirming Supervisory panel workload capacity and discipline/research area expertise to guide the project.

Yes, I support this application. The Principal Supervisor and supervisory team have the workload capacity and discipline/research area expertise to guide the project.

No, I do not support this application.

If no, please provide details:

**ADD Name: Signature: Date:**