

**OFF-CAMPUS DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY**

**CANDIDATE AGREEMENT**

If approved by the enrolling School, PhD candidates may enrol in a PhD program at Edith Cowan University (ECU) in off-campus (e.g. online, external, remote) mode. Eligible programs are the Doctor of Philosophy (L61) and Doctor of Philosophy Integrated (J42). Approval for off-campus enrolment is not automatic. Prospective candidates and the enrolling School must show that due consideration has been given to meeting the program requirements and supporting the candidate (including ensuring that candidates will have access to appropriate infrastructure to undertake and complete the PhD project).

This Agreement must be completed prior to a candidate’s enrolment in off-campus mode with ECU.

Off-campus enrolment is not permitted for international candidates residing in Australia and holding a student visa. Off-campus enrolment is not available to prospective candidates applying to the School of Engineering.

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| **SECTION 1: TO BE COMPLETED BY CANDIDATE** | | | | |
| Candidates intending to study off-campus are expected to have a clear idea of their intended project, to be self-motivated and independent, and be pro-active in seeking support and developing connections with the School and with the wider research community.  Off-campus candidates are generally not entitled to a workspace or other physical resources that are provided on-campus but otherwise may expect an equivalent level of support and services. Please refer to the policy on [*Research Training*](http://policysearch.ecu.edu.au/WebDrawer.PolicySearch/Record/579/file/document).  Candidates intending to undertake research at another facility must ensure they meet the requirements of that facility. Written endorsement from a position of authority must be provided with this application to demonstrate that the research is supported and endorsed. | | | | |
| Candidate Given Name(s): | Click or tap here to enter text. | Family Name: | Click or tap here to enter text. | |
| Student Number (if known): | Click or tap here to enter text. | School: | Choose an item. | |
| **Please complete the following questions.** | | | | |
| 1. *For international candidates*: If you are not studying in Australia, will your home country’s government regulatory body recognise a doctoral degree awarded by foreign universities in online/off-campus mode? | | | YES | NO |
| 1. Please provide a summary of your skills and research experience that supports independent, sustained and structured research off-campus. | | | | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | | | | |
| 1. Does your proposed research project need specialist equipment or infrastructure? If no, please continue with question 4. | | | YES | NO |
| 1. What equipment/infrastructure? | | Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| 1. How/where will this be accessed? (e.g. commercial or government research station, laboratory, hospital, another university) | | Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| 1. What is your relationship to the facility? | | Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| 1. What support and facilities can you expect to be provided? | | Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| 1. Will you have a supervisor at the external research location? If yes, please provide name and job title. | | Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| 1. If you are accessing a facility to conduct your research, please attach written confirmation that this will be supported by that facility. | | | Attached | Not applicable |
| 1. Do you plan to attend an ECU campus during the program and, if yes, how often and for how long? | | | | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | | | | |
| 1. Please describe the computing, software and internet access you have to support online study/research. | | | | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | | | | |
| 1. How do you propose to maintain contact with your ECU supervisors (e.g. Skype, Zoom, Teams, Email)? | | | | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | | | | |
| 1. Any further comments to support the application for off-campus enrolment? | | | | |
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| **SECTION 2: TO BE COMPLETED BY PRINCIPAL SUPERVISOR** | | |
| When enrolling a candidate off-campus, Schools must be certain that they can provide equivalent support services and research experiences to the candidate, and that the proposed project is suitable to be conducted off-campus. Meeting or exceeding TEQSA requirements for research training and transnational education is imperative.  The principal supervisor and relevant Associate Dean (Research) must be convinced that the prospective candidate has the personal maturity and research experience to pursue independent, sustained and structured research off-campus. | | |
| **Please complete the following questions.** | | |
| 1. Proposed supervisor panel:  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Supervisor Name | Supervisor Type | | Click or tap here to enter text. | Click or tap here to enter text. | | Click or tap here to enter text. | Click or tap here to enter text. | | Click or tap here to enter text. | Click or tap here to enter text. | | Click or tap here to enter text. | Click or tap here to enter text. | |  |  | | | |
| 1. Has a member of the supervisor panel interviewed the candidate by video or phone conference? | YES | NO |
| 1. How does the supervisor panel intend to maintain contact with the candidate? How regular will this contact with the candidate be? | | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| 1. Is the School satisfied the candidate has the equipment, IT and infrastructure to maintain contact and to complete the proposed project? | YES | NO |
| 1. Are there any planned visits by members of the supervisor panel to the candidate? | YES | NO |
| 1. Does the School intend to provide additional resources to those described in the *Research Training Policy* (e.g. SPSS, laptop, additional conference and/or travel funds)? If so, what resources will be provided? | | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| 1. How will the School support the candidate to complete milestone 2, 3 and 4, and oral examination? | | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| 1. How will the School support the development of research networks and provide a research-rich environment? | | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| 1. Are there any perceived risks to running the proposed project off-campus? If so, what mitigation strategies will be put in place? | | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | | |
| 1. Any further comments to support application for off-campus enrolment? | | |
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| 1. Is the candidate currently receiving or applying for any PhD scholarship? | YES | NO |
| 1. Please outline arrangements for fees. | | |
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| **SECTION 3: AGREEMENT (DECLARATIONS AND ENDORSEMENT)** | | | |
| I certify that the details provided are to the best of my knowledge true and correct. Falsification of records or details may be construed as academic or non-academic misconduct and is subject to the right of the University to terminate my enrolment or impose other sanctions in accordance with the [University Rules](http://www.ecu.edu.au/centres/office-of-governance-services/our-services/policy-and-legislation/policy-and-legislation-directory/university-statutes-rules-and-by-laws). | | | |
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| CANDIDATE NAME | | SIGNATURE | DATE |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | | A white square with a blue border  AI-generated content may be incorrect. | Click or tap to enter a date. |
| PRINCIPAL SUPERVISOR NAME | | SIGNATURE | DATE |
| **SECTION 4: TO BE COMPLETED BY EXECUTIVE DEAN (OR NOMINEE)** | | | |
|  | School supports this off-campus enrolment | | |
|  | School does not support this off-campus enrolment | | |
| Click or tap here to enter text. | | A white square with a blue border  AI-generated content may be incorrect. | Click or tap to enter a date. |
| EXECUTIVE DEAN (OR ASSOCIATE DEAN (RESEARCH) AS NOMINEE) NAME | | SIGNATURE | DATE |