**EARLY CAREER RESEARCHER GRANT SCHEME**

**for funding commencing January 2020**

**APPLICATION FORM – NOTES**

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| **Applications Close: 21 October 2019**LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED |

**Applications are invited in accordance with the guidelines described in the Edith Cowan University** [**Early Career Researcher Grant Guidelines.**](https://intranet.ecu.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0017/743030/ECU-Early-Career-Researcher-Scheme-2020-Guidelines.pdf)

The application must be completed and formatted in accordance with the following:

* Black, 12-point Arial font size should be used throughout. This includes publication lists, figure captions, table captions and table contents. Text within figures may be any font size, but must be legible on a paper copy.
* References may be in 10-point font size
* Page margins must be at least 2 cm on each side
* All questions are to be answered or marked ‘not applicable’. Do not leave any sections blank
* Do not forward the ‘Application Form – Notes’ page with the ‘Application Form’
* Do not include any additional document with the application other than that requested (only confirmation of Higher Degree by Research award date or eligibility ruling will be accepted, plus any quotes for equipment where applicable)
* Applications must be submitted as per the guidelines to the Research Administration Officer

**Research Administration Officer contact details:**

**Email:** research-preaward@ecu.edu.au

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**Nicky Kemp - Phone: 6304 2623**

**EARLY CAREER RESEARCHER GRANT APPLICATION FORM**

 **G Number (RMS):**

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1. **APPLICATION SUMMARY PAGE**

**PROJECT TITLE** (*Provide a short descriptive title of no more than 20 words.)*

*Ensure that the title is precise, informative and uses language which is comprehensible and accessible to the general public. Avoid**the use of acronyms. Avoid such fillers and non-communicating devices such as: A Study of... An Exploratory Study to Determine...An Examination of... A Method to Explore, etc*

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**LEAD CHIEF INVESTIGATOR**

**(Title, First name, Surname)**

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**PROJECT SUMMARY** *(Please provide a 100 word summary for an informed lay reader.)*

*Significance of the problem and the challenge/barrier to be addressed.*

*Key ambition/objective of the project.*

*The anticipated outcome; and the impact and benefit of the project – what will it deliver, why this is important and what contribution will it make.*

*Use plain English and minimise the use of terminology unique to the area of study; and avoid the use of quotation marks and acronyms and references.*

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**TOTAL PROJECT FUNDS REQUESTED FROM THIS SCHEME: $**

*(Please round to nearest dollar)*

1. **CHIEF INVESTIGATOR DETAILS**

*Provide details of Chief Investigators (CIs) below***.** *All CIs must meet the eligibility requirements for an Early Career Researcher (see Guidelines) to be eligible for this grant*. *Please note FTE refers to the time you will spend on the project per week (e.g. 0.2FTE is equal to one day per week).*

**Chief Investigator(s):**

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| **LEAD CHIEF INVESTIGATOR** |
| **Title, First Name, Surname** |  |
| **Email Address** |  |
| **School** |  |
| **ECU Centre or Institute** (if you are a current listed member) |  |
| **ECU Current Employment**  | Ongoing [ ]  Contract [ ]  Contract end date\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| **Employment type** | Research Only [ ]  Teaching/Research [ ]  Other [ ]  |
| **Highest qualification & date awarded***(Please attach evidence of award – unless previously provided to ORI)*  |  |
|  **Have you received**  **funding from the previous ECU** **Early Career Researcher Scheme?** | [ ]  Yes – Year …………… [ ]  No If yes, please ensure the final report has been submitted and approved prior to any new application |
|  **FTE on this grant (per week)** |  |
|  **ORCID iD\*** |  |

*\*ORCID iD (Open Researcher and Contribution ID) – ORCID is an open, non-profit, community driven effort to create and maintain a registry of unique researcher identifiers and a transparent method of linking research activities and outputs to these identifiers. All ECU researchers are expected to have an ORCID account and it is mandatory for applications under this scheme.* [***Create and register your ORCID iD***](https://support.orcid.org/hc/en-us/articles/360006897454-Register-your-ORCID-iD)

**Online profiles**

*Do you have an online profile with any of the following websites/social media platforms? If so, insert your profile link into the appropriate box. Please remember to familiarise yourself with ECU’s* [*Media Policy*](http://www.ecu.edu.au/GPPS/policies_db/policies_view.php?rec_id=0000000366)

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| **ResearchGate** |  |
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| **ADDITIONAL CHIEF INVESTIGATOR/S** *(Copy or remove table as required)* |
| **Title, First Name, Surname** |  |
| **Employment type** | Research Only [ ]  Teaching/Research [ ]  Other [ ]  |
| **Highest qualification & date awarded***(Please attach evidence of award – unless previously provided to ORI)*  |  |
|  **Have you received**  **funding from the previous ECU** **Early Career Researcher Scheme?** | [ ]  Yes – Year …………… [ ]  No If yes, please ensure the final report has been submitted and approved prior to any new application |
|  **FTE on this grant (per week)** |  |
|  **ORCID iD\*** |  |

**Mentor(s):** *Provide details of your ECU Mentor and justification of choice below. It is expected that the mentor would be a senior colleague with relevant expertise in the field and hold an ECU academic or professional appointment of 0.5FTE or greater. Mentors should provide guidance to the project, and advice and support to assist the CI. It is not expected that the Mentor will have a role in the project. Additional mentor(s) may be included, where appropriate, from industry or other research institutions. The choice of any additional mentors must also be justified.*

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| **Title** | **Surname** | **First Name** | **School/Organisation** |
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| **Justification of choice:***(no more than 100 words)* |  |

*Add additional table(s) if more than one mentor*

1. **RESEARCH SUPPORT**

*Please provide details for all grants held (past, current, requested) by ALL Chief Investigators from 2018-2022.* ***This proposal must be listed first****. Indicate with a yes/no (Y/N), any support that is* ***related*** *to this project. Support types: ‘P’ for past support; ‘C’ for current support; and ‘R’ for requested support. Round funding amounts to the nearest thousand ($’000).*

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| **Description** (List all CIs, project title, funding agency, and scheme) | **Related?** | **Support Type**P, C, or R | **2018**$’000 | **2019**$’000 | **2020**$’000 | **2021**$’000 | **2022**$’000 |
| *Example:* **Smith, B.**, Project Title, Funding Body, Funding Body Scheme | Y | R |  |  | 30 |  |  |
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1. **RELATED APPLICATIONS**

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| Have you submitted an application/s for this project or similar to another agency? If so, briefly explain the relationship between those applications and this application. |
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1. **PREVIOUS ECU EARLY CAREER RESEARCHER AWARDS***This section must be completed for any awards previously or currently held under the ECU Early Career Researcher Grant Scheme by any of the CIs named on this application.*

*Please detail the progress and the date of completion, or expected date of completion. Include any notable findings and indicate any publications that have arisen from your research.* ***(Maximum half a page per report)***

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| **Project Title** |  |
| **Year Awarded** |  | **Date Completed**  |  |
| **Amount Funded** |  |
| **Chief Investigator** |  |
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1. **BUDGET**

**Budget items**

*Do not include GST or USC. Refer to Guidelines for budget items supported under this scheme. Do not include justification for budget items in this section.*

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| **Item** | **Amount requested** *(round to nearest dollar)* |
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| **TOTAL\*** |  |

*\*Total must equal that shown on the application summary page*

1. **JUSTIFICATION OF BUDGET REQUESTED**

*Fully justify each budget item requested in terms of need and cost, explaining the requirement for the individual items, with reference to the research plan. (Maximum one page for this section)*

**ECU Personnel:**

**Equipment:**

**Maintenance/Consumables:**

**Travel:**

**Other:**

1. **RESEARCH CLASSIFICATION CODES**

*Indicate the relevant Field of Research (FOR) and Socio-Economic Objective (SEO) codes, and their weightings. Please ensure that the total weighting of each column adds up to 100%.*

*The codes can be found on the* [*Australian Bureau of Statistics website*](http://www.abs.gov.au/Ausstats/abs%40.nsf/Latestproducts/6BB427AB9696C225CA2574180004463E?opendocument).

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| **FOR (6 digit code)** | **Weight %** | **SEO (6 digit code)** | **Weight %** |
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1. **ECU RESEARCH THEMES AND PRIORITY AREAS**

*Please indicate which Theme your project aligns with:*

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| **Health** |  |
| **Society and Culture** |  |
| **Natural and Built Environments** |  |
| **Securing Digital Futures** |  |

*Briefly explain how the project links to* [*ECU Themes and Priority Areas*](https://www.ecu.edu.au/research/research-themes-and-priority-areashttps%3A/www.ecu.edu.au/research/research-themes-and-priority-areas) *(maximum half a page)*

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1. **RESEARCH ENVIRONMENT** *(maximum of one page)*

*Describe how YOU are supported by your TEAM (infrastructure/funding/mentoring, collaborations), SCHOOL (successful environment, prior track record in area, mentoring, funding), and UNIVERSITY (Strategic Research Funding, internal grants, grant management and ethics etc.)*

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1. **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

*Refer to the* [*Guidelines*](https://intranet.ecu.edu.au/__data/assets/pdf_file/0017/743030/ECU-Early-Career-Researcher-Scheme-2020-Guidelines.pdf) *for details of the requirements for each section.* ***IMPORTANT:*** *Applicants must take note that applications are not assessed by experts in the field and therefore need to ensure that the proposal is accessible to a broad audience. Use of overly technical language, or language specific to a particular discipline, along with jargon and acronyms should be avoided.*

*Please adhere to the formatting requirements outlined on the notes page of this form. A maximum of five pages is allowed from ‘Project Description and Background’ to ‘Description of Personnel’ (inclusive).*

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND**

**SIGNIFICANCE AND INNOVATION**

**APPROACH AND METHODS**

**ENGAGEMENT, IMPACT AND NATIONAL BENEFIT**

**COMMUNICATION OF RESULTS**

**DESCRIPTON OF PERSONNEL**

1. **REFERENCES**

*This reference list is not included in the five page limit and the font may be reduced to 10pt.*

1. **FUTURE PLANS AND DEVELOPMENT** *(Maximum one page)*

*Describe how the project fits into longer term research plans and will build your research track record (Refer to Guidelines)*

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1. **TRACK RECORD** *(Maximum half a page per statement)*

*Provide a track record statement for each Chief Investigator only (*[*Refer to Guidelines*](https://intranet.ecu.edu.au/research/for-research-staff/research-journey/research-funding/internal-funding/related-content/lists/early-career-research-grant-scheme/ECU-Early-Career-Researcher-Guidelines_2019.pdf)*)*

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1. **PUBLICATION LIST**

*List refereed publications of the Chief Investigator(s) in reverse date order, under the following headings: Books; Book Chapters; Journal Articles; Refereed Conference Papers, Other. Mark with an asterisk (\*) those publications relevant to this proposal. Do not include submissions in preparation. For any items that are ‘In Press’ please provide date of acceptance. Create a separate list for each CI.*

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| **Books:****Book Chapters:****Journal Articles:****Refereed Conference Papers:****Other Publically Available Publications (major exhibitions, compositions or performances)** |

1. **SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION**

*Once completed, please send the application form, including copy of relevant qualification, to your Research Administration Officer at* *research-preaward@ecu.edu.au*

*The Research Administration Officer will review your application in accordance with the guidelines, organise budget approval, Associate Dean (Research) (or delegate) approval and submission.*