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National Industry PhD Program - Round 2 Now Open

The National Industry PhD program is a government initiative supporting PhD research projects co-designed by the University and an industry partner.

Project applications are now invited for the current round, with PhD projects expected to commence in the First Half Year (FHY) period of 2024.

Principal supervisors and academic project leads can initiate an application with an expression of interest to GR-Internships@unimelb.edu.au

Once an expression of interest has been received, staff with eligible projects will be provided with detailed application instructions and reference material.

Further information about the program is [available on the Staff Hub](#).

Upcoming Info Sessions on NHMRC Schemes; Faculty Research Costing and Pricing Seminar Recording

The below information is relevant to academic, honorary and professional staff who are involved in preparing NHMRC grant applications and budgeting for external research funding submissions via the University. It has been circulated to all staff in the Melbourne Medical School.

1. NHMRC Partnership Projects

Seminar Title: **NHMRC Partnership Projects workshop**

Delivered by Dr Patricia Ridgway (Director, Research Collaboration, NHMRC), RIC and successful Partnership Project awardees.

Date: Wednesday 19th of July, 10am - 11:30am, via zoom.

The session will not be recorded but slides will be made available after the session. More information and registration details can be found [here](#).

Zoom meeting ID: 84300914765

password: 867886

2. FMDHS Research Costing and the Innovation Fund.

The faculty recently hosted an information session on **Research Costing and Pricing and the Innovation Fund**.

A recording of this session is now available for on demand viewing along with all 2023 RISE seminars [here](#).

MDHS ECA Symposium 2023

The 2023 MDHS ECA Network Symposium is going ahead this year in person.

The symposium will be running for morning/afternoon sessions on the **Thursday 19th and Friday 20th October @ Ian Potter Auditorium**.

Registration and abstract submission will be opening on the 17th of July (more information please refer to the attached flyer).

MRFF Scheme Success Rates

This information is relevant to academic, honorary and professional staff who are involved in preparing MRFF grant applications. The MRFF has released data that provides transparency regarding application numbers, awarded grants and success rates per scheme.

Please find attached MRFF scheme success rates (2020-2022) – see attached extract.

Full Report: [Financial assistance to support the Australian Medical Research and Innovation Priorities 2020–2022](#). Further details [here](#).

Update on Graduate Research Scholarships - Round 3 2023

Domestic Scholarships

- Number of domestic RTP scholarships available for 2023: 123 (12 reserved for strategic scholarships)
- Number of domestic RTP scholarships offered at the end of Round 3: 117 (6 strategic scholarships remain on hold)
- Number of domestic MRS scholarships for 2023: 7

Domestic scholarship cut-off score:

- **86.2** for this round
- Applicants between 85.8 and 86.1 have been waitlisted for any remaining RTP scholarships that may become available before Round 1 2024 and have been notified by email.
- The cut-off for unsuccessful applicants is scores of 85.8 and below. These applicants are being advised on a rolling basis.

International Scholarships

- Number of international scholarships available for 2023: 76
- Number of international scholarships offered at the end of Round 3: 76

International scholarship cut-off score:

- **89.5** for this round
- Applicants between 87.8 and 89.4 who did not receive an offer this round have been advised that they will automatically be considered for Round 1 2024.
- The cut-off for unsuccessful applicants is scores of 87.7 and below. These applicants are being advised on a rolling basis.
- Please note, the faculty received many high-scoring international applications in Round 3. Unfortunately, this meant the cut-off score for a scholarship to be awarded was raised from Round 2 to Round 3, not lowered as it has done in previous years.

Enquiries Regarding an Individual Applicant's Status

- Queries regarding the status of an individual applicant may be directed to mdhs-scholarships@unimelb.edu.au. Please note, if the application is still under assessment with the School or GR Team, an outcome is unlikely to be available.

Seeking reviewers for MMS and MDHS Internal Grant Review Panel

Melbourne Medical School (MMS) is now seeking additional reviewers for both “MMS Internal Grant Review Panel” and “MDHS Faculty Grant Review Panel”. Commitment and eligibility for both panels are listed below:

Melbourne Medical School Internal Grant Review Panel

- 2 years' term
- Any academic level
- Support up to 2 grant schemes a year
- ~5 – 10 applications per grant assessment

MDHS Faculty Grant Review Panel

- No fixed term
- Any academic level
- Support up to 3 schemes a year
- ~5 – 15 applications per grant assessment
- For details, please see the attached MDHS Faculty Grant Review Panel TOR

If you are interested to be the reviewer on either one or both of the panels, please kindly contact Wendy Yu (wendy.yu@unimelb.edu.au) by next **Wednesday 19th July** and provide the following information:

1. Your preferred review panel;
2. Your academic level;
3. If you are interested in the MDHS Faculty Grant Review Panel, please provide your broad research area(s).