



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Discovery Early Career Researcher Award

Discovery Program (2019 edition)

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- All participants should read the *Grant Guidelines for the Discovery Program (2019)* (grant guidelines) and specific *Instructions to Applicants* documents also available on GrantConnect as they contain important information for Research Office staff and individual participants preparing applications.
- The Australian Research Council (ARC) does not respond to queries from individual participants. Individual participants should direct all queries regarding ARC grant opportunities to their Administering Organisation's Research Office (or equivalent). If further information regarding the National Competitive Grants Program (NCGP) is required, the Research Office should contact the NCGP at arc-ncgp@arc.gov.au.
- Information regarding the Research Management System (RMS) is available at the [ARC website](#), or by contacting arc-systems@arc.gov.au for assistance.
- Please ensure that your application is eligible in accordance with these grant guidelines, which may differ from Funding Rules/Grant Guidelines applying to previous years.
- Questions regarding limits for currently held funding can be directed to your research office.

This Frequently Asked Questions document will be updated as required.

1. Application Form

1.1 What is the required time commitment for Discovery Early Career Researcher Award candidate to work on the project?

The Discovery Early Career Researcher Award candidate must work a minimum of 0.8 full time equivalent (FTE) of their time on research activities related to the project and should not spend more than 0.2 FTE on activities not related to the project such as teaching.

The detail of this requirement can be found in subclauses D2.3.2 (d) and D2.3.2 (e) of the relevant Commonwealth Grant Agreement on [GrantConnect](#).

1.2 Can webpage addresses/URLs and hyperlinks be included in my application?

The inclusion of webpage addresses/URLs and hyperlinks should only be used under certain circumstances such as publications that are only available online and letters of support. Webpage addresses/URLs and hyperlinks should not be used to circumvent page limits, nor should they provide information that is not contained in the application.

1.3 The Feasibility criterion includes describing if the project involves Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander research:

- any existing or developing, supportive and high quality research communities

How should I respond?

The sub-element of this criterion is about describing the relationship/s between you and/or other relevant personnel and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities related to the research being proposed in the application.