

2023 NHMRC INVESTIGATOR GRANT PRE-APPLICATION PROCESS

HOW TO APPLY

- Applicants must complete the online pre-application form including an assessment form requiring Faculty Head of School approval by **COB Monday 31st October 2022**.
- Applicants must discuss their pre-application with their Head of School or Centre/Institute Director (as appropriate) and gain their support prior to submitting the pre-application form.

COMPLETING THE PRE-APPLICATION FORM

Pre-application assessment form

- Pre-application assessment form can be downloaded [here](#) and is a part of the online pre-application form.
- Applicants to complete details for Q1-10
- Applicants to draft responses to Q11.1, 11.2 and 11.3 in consultation with their Head of School or Centre/Institute Director (where appropriate).
- Once complete and endorsement from Head of School/Director is received, please upload to the online pre-application form.

Online Pre-application form

- Online pre-application form can be found [here](#).
- Applicants to complete all details in online pre-application form.
- Upload completed assessment form (requiring Head of School approval) to online form.
- Submit online form by 31st October 2022.

INVESTIGATOR GRANT PRE-APPLICATION ASSESSMENT PROCESS AND KEY DATES

Please Note: For the first time this process will incorporate review of pre-applications by members of UOW's proposed Health and Medical Academy.

Stage	Key Date
UOW NHMRC Investigator Pre-application process opens	19 September 2022
<u>Pre-application drop in Zoom sessions-</u> Details to be confirmed. The Grants team and the Faculty Research Operations Unit will be available to answer questions about the pre-application form over 2 Zoom drop in sessions.	29 September 2022 13 October 2022
UOW Submission deadline: Pre-application form (including approved assessment form)	COB 31 October 2022
Faculty and HMR Academy Review period	1-25 November 2022
DVC-RI Review	28 November 2022
Candidates notified of pre-application outcome	7 December 2022
NHMRC applications open	Mid-January 2022
NHMRC application deadline	Mid-March 2022

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- Guidelines for the 2023 scheme are yet to be released by the NHMRC. The guidelines are expected to be released upon grant scheme opening. If there are any major changes for the 2023 scheme, the grants team will communicate this to candidates.
- **Eligibility exemptions for Investigator Grant scheme** – As of 1 March 2022, Emerging Leadership candidates must have held a PhD, or equivalent, for no more than 10 years from the date of their thesis award (not date of conferral), unless they have had a career disruption. The NHMRC have strict rules regarding what is considered a ‘career disruption’ for means of eligibility exemptions. The RSO NHMRC and Medical Grants Team (rao-uow@uow.edu.au) will assist faculties to determine the eligibility of any candidates with regards to eligibility exemptions due to career disruption under the scheme guidelines.
- **Equity, Diversity & Inclusion** - the NHMRC are specifically seeking to improve application and success rates for women researchers and Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander researchers. UOW is committed to equity, diversity and inclusion. We therefore encourage and support fellowship applications from a diverse range of candidates and recommend that faculties consult with their Associate Dean (Equity, Diversity & Inclusion) when considering potential fellowship candidates.

GETTING HELP- DROP-IN INFORMATION SESSIONS

A timetable that includes scheduled drop in and information sessions will be finalised and disseminated soon. You may like to attend one of these to ask any questions. Current proposed session dates will be Thursday 29th September and Thursday 13th October.

FURTHER INFORMATION

If you have any questions regarding the pre-application process please do not hesitate to reach out to rao-uow@uow.edu.au

We look forward to working with you.