

2026 Cynthia Hardy Award for Research Impact application form

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Scheme Overview

The Cynthia Hardy Award for Research Impact aims to recognise research activities from Early Career Researchers in the Faculty of Business and Economics (FBE) and Melbourne Business School (MBS) that have resulted in or will very likely result in exceptional impact.

Supporting documents including the scheme guidelines and supporting documents are available via this [link](#).

Application Process

- Head of Departments (HoD) seek nominations from members of staff.
- Members of staff (applicant/s) complete this online form.
- Applicant/s provide their Head of Department with a PDF copy of the online form and request that they complete the [nomination statement](#). **Applicants should contact their HOD for nominations more than 1 week prior to the deadline.**
- HoDs (in consultation with the Professoriate) to forward the completed nomination statement to the applicants.

Lead Applicant Details

Applicant Name *

Title First Name Last Name

Note: Please enter the HR system/legal first name and last name (not preferred name).

Email *

Must be an email address.

Department *

Academic Level *

- ☐ A
☐ B
☐ C
☐ D
☐ E

Role

You are automatically the Chief Investigator.

Institute and Centre

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Please indicate the name of centre or institute (please provide the group name if you are from Melbourne Institute) *

Additional applicants

Are there any other applicants? *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Which of the following best describes the other applicants? (Select all that apply) *

- ☐ Affiliated with the University of Melbourne
☐ Affiliated with another organisation

UoM Research Team

Name *

Title

First Name

Last Name

Note: Please enter the HR system/legal first name and last name (not preferred name).

Role *

Department *

Email *

Must be an email address.

External Research Team

Name *

Title

First Name

Last Name

Email *

Must be an email address.

Role *

Organisation *

Organisation Name *

Organisation Name

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ABN

The ABN provided will be used to look up the following information. Click Lookup above to check that you have entered the ABN correctly.

Information from the Australian Business Register	
ABN	
Entity Name	
ABN Status	
Entity Type	
Goods & Services Tax (GST)	
DGR Endorsed	
ATO Charity Type	More information
ACNC Registration	
Tax Concessions	
Main Business Location	

Must be an ABN.

Address

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Evidence

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Evidence of impact in economic, environmental and social outcomes beyond academia

The identified research activities need to have occurred within the period 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2025.

[Click here to download the guidelines for this award.](#)

Provide evidence of impact caused by research activities outside of academia. (Further supporting documentation can be uploaded in page 5) *

Word count:

Must be at least 500 words.

See Scheme Guidelines to ensure your response addresses criteria.

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Evidence of impact from perspective of external partner(s)

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Explain your impact from the perspective of your external partner(s). (Further supporting documentation can be uploaded in page 5) *

Word count:

Must be at least 500 words.

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Alignment to Ethics Responsibility and Sustainability Principles

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Which of the following ERS themes apply to the work? Please tick all that apply. *

- ☐ Ethics (e.g. values, trust, virtues, decision making)
- ☐ Governance (e.g. corporate governance, institutions, and markets)
- ☐ Leadership (e.g. responsible leadership, ethical leadership, stewardship, leadership development)
- ☐ Corporate Responsibility (e.g. accountability, CSR, integrity management, supply chain, procurement)
- ☐ Diversity and Inclusion (e.g. age, gender, mental health, race/ethnicity, sexuality)
- ☐ Indigeneity (e.g. engagement, reconciliation, well-being, leadership in business)
- ☐ Environmental Sustainability (e.g. climate change, climate futures, risk, fair trade)
- ☐ Sustainable Innovation and Entrepreneurship (e.g. responsible innovation, social innovation, social entrepreneurship)
- ☐ Digital (e.g. digital business ethics, privacy, algorithms, blockchain technology, tokenisation)
- ☐ Partnerships and Collaboration (e.g. stakeholder engagement, conflicts, activism, community)
- ☐ Ethical Finance and Investing (e.g. impact investment, ERS investment)
- ☐ Global responsibility (e.g. ethics of globalisation, development, and multinationals)
- ☐ International Principles and systems (e.g. integration of supra-national standards and principles e.g. PRME, SDGs, GRI)

Please describe the alignment of the nominated work to Ethics, Responsibility and Sustainability principles *

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

Supporting documentation

Upload any additional documents to support any aspect of your application (optional)

Attach a file:

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HoD Certification

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Head of Department Nomination and Certification

Please provide your Head of Department with a PDF copy of your application and obtain their signed, completed [Nomination Statement](#), which should be uploaded below.

HoD Nomination (PDF only) *

Attach a file:

Applicant Declaration

By submitting this application, I declare that the information I have given in my application is correct and true and I hereby give my consent to the assessment committee to assess my application. *

☐ I agree

Admin Use Only

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☐ Yes

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☐ No

Cost Centre

Project Number

Award Number

Attachment uploaded

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

This research involves

This project involves a clinical trial

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Approved to be included in the UoM successful applications library

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Project Title

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Must be no more than 250 characters.

Start Date

Must be a date.

End Date

Must be a date.

Is there any aspect of this project or its associated agreement that is or needs to be treated as confidential?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Activity Type

- ☐ Pure Basic Research
☐ Strategic Basic Research
☐ Applied Research

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- ☐ Experimental Research
- ☐ Unknown

If a student is working on the project, will the result of the project form part of their Thesis or Student Project?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Currency

Will this project require the procurement of new equipment valued over \$200K AUD?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

As per the Procurement Policy (MPF1087)

Costing and Pricing

Attach a file:

Maximum file size limit: 75 MB.

Total Amount Requested

Must be a dollar amount.

What is the total financial support you are requesting in this application?

Total Project Cost

Must be a dollar amount.

What is the total budgeted cost (dollars) of your project?

Is there any UOM in-kind contribution captured in this award/agreement?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Have you identified any actual, potential, or perceived conflicts of interest in undertaking this project in accordance with Managing Conflicts of Interest Policy (MPF1366)?

- ☐ Yes, a management plan is in place
- ☐ Yes, a management plan is not in place
- ☐ No

Respond on behalf of all members of the research team.

Provide the reference number of the Conflict of interest management plan (if applicable)

