

2026 Momentum Grant Application Form

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Before you begin

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Consent statement

The University of Melbourne is committed to protecting your privacy by fully meeting its responsibilities under applicable privacy laws. By submitting any personal information in this form I consent to it being collected by the University of Melbourne. If the information relates to someone other than me, I am authorised to give this consent for that person.

I have read and agree to the collection notice (required) *

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Notes for Applicants

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Please note

Before completing this application form, please read the [MDHS Momentum Grant website, including the eligibility and selection criteria for the Momentum Grant](#).

Closing date: 26 October 2026 Final submission with attachments Applicants will be notified of the outcomes by the beginning of December 2026. Incomplete applications and/or applications received after the closing date will not be considered.

This section of the application form is designed to help you and us understand if you are eligible for the grant. If you have any questions regarding the eligibility criteria, contact us: **mdhs-diversityinclusion@unimelb.edu.au**

Please note: this program was previously known as the Momentum Fellowship and has now been restructured as the Momentum Grant with updates as outlined on the Momentum Grant webpage.

Confirmation of Eligibility

I confirm that ...

- I am employed as a research fixed-term or continuing (research contingent) academic staff member at Level B or C in the Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences,
- Extraordinary and/or compounding personal circumstances have significantly restricted my capacity to:
 - Undertake research and research training activity, including severely impacting my ability to publish my research, supervise graduate research students and apply for and obtain competitive external funding
 - Undertake key engagement activities with relevant disciplinary communities and government, business, professional or community organisations that are critical to enhancing excellence in my research and research training and enhancing my competitiveness in their field
 - Contribute to cross-disciplinary collaborative research projects and teams that are key to maintaining my research momentum and competitiveness
 - Build my leadership and service profile as well as making vital contributions to the advancement of their discipline within and beyond the University
- I have discussed with my Head of School/Department/Centre any potential salary shortfall required, along with any changes to my appointment which may be required if I am awarded the fellowship.

Please select below: *

☐ Yes ☐ No

You must confirm that all statements above are true and correct.

Contact Details

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Applicant details

Applicant *

Title First Name Last Name

Unimelb staff are required to enter the HR system/legal first name and last name (not preferred name).

UniMelb email address *

Please enter your primary Unimelb email address. You can check your primary email here - <https://sso.unimelb.edu.au/enduser/settings>

Staff ID ***Academic level *****Current work fraction (FTE) *****Work category *****Contract type *****School/Department/Centre *****Supervisor's Name *****Supervisor's Email Address *****Role ***

Fellowship Details

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4.1 Application summary

4.1.1 Provide a summary describing your reason for applying for the Momentum Grant. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

4.1.2 Please include a brief statement about how the fellowship will support your career progression and build research momentum. (Note: If you are successful, the summary will be used for public promotion of the Fellowships and we will check it with you before it is used externally).

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

4.1.3 How will this grant mitigate the impact of time away from research (for parental leave) on your career momentum, and align with the Advancing Health 2030 Inclusive Community theme.

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

4.2 Response to selection criteria

In preparing your response, please refer to the selection criteria on the [MDHS Momentum Fellowships webpage](#), the statement of [Faculty values](#) and the [salary on-costs calculator](#).

4.2.1 Please provide an overview of your personal circumstances and describe how these have impacted your academic career to date. Please note this information will be held in confidence and will only be used by the selection panel. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 800 words.

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4.2.2 Briefly describe how the Momentum Fellowship will assist with developing and maintaining your career trajectory *

Word count:

4.2.3 The Grant provides funding of up to \$75,000 per year (\$150,000 total over two years) which can be used towards salary support, salary for assistance within your team, or research costs. Please explain how you plan to use the funding for this grant. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

4.2.4 Please provide a brief statement demonstrating your alignment with and representation of Faculty MDHS values *

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

Activity Type

Definitions: Pure basic research is basic research carried out for the advancement of knowledge, without seeking long-term economic or social benefits or making any effort to apply the results to practical problems or to transfer the results to sectors responsible for their application.

Strategic basic research is experimental and theoretical work undertaken to acquire new knowledge directed into specified broad areas in the expectation of practical discoveries. It provides the broad base of knowledge necessary for the solution of recognised practical problems.

Applied research is original investigation undertaken in order to acquire new knowledge. It is, however, directed primarily towards a specific, practical aim or objective.

Experimental research development is systematic work, drawing on knowledge gained from research and practical experience and producing additional knowledge, which is directed to producing new products or processes or to improving existing products or processes.

Source: <https://www.abs.gov.au/statistics/classifications/australian-and-new-zealand-standard-research-classification-anzsrc/latest-release>. Please refer to Data Downloads

Activity Type *

- ☐ Pure Basic Research
- ☐ Strategic Basic Research

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- ☐ Applied Research
- ☐ Experimental Research

Budget

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Proposed use of funds

Note that the grant must be expended by 31 December 2027

Expenditure item	\$
Make sure you've read the types of support available in the grant guidelines.	
	\$
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If a student is working on the project, will the result of the project form part of their Thesis or Student Project? *

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Budget Totals

Total Expenditure Amount

This number/amount is calculated.

Provide a brief budget justification *

Word count:
Must be no more than 200 words.

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Compliance & Regulatory Approvals

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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)

Fields of Research Codes (FoR)

You may include up to five FoR codes that best describe your area(s) of research, as relevant to the nominated publication(s). Please include code, description, and percentage (totalling 100% for all codes), e.g.:

- 3001 - Agricultural biotechnology - 51%
- 3002 - Agricultural, land and farm management - 49%

FoR Code

Select a Code

FoR Code Percentage

Percentage *

Must be a number and between 1 and 100.

FoR Total Percentage

This number/amount is calculated.

Socio-Economic Objective Codes (SEO)

You may include up to five SEO codes that best describe your area(s) of research, as relevant to the proposed research project. Please include code, description, and percentage (totalling 100% for all codes).

SEO Code

Select a Code

SEO Code Percentage

Percentage *

Must be a number and between 1 and 100.

SEO Total Percentage

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This number/amount is calculated.

This research involves *

Project Dates

The proposed start and end date of your Momentum Grant.

Start Date *

Must be a date.

End Date *

Must be a date.

Certification and submission

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Certification

By submitting this application, you agree to abide by the grant conditions outlined on the MDHS Diversity and Inclusion [website](#) should the application be successful.

I certify that to the best of my knowledge the statements made within this application are true and correct.

I agree *

☐ Yes

☐ No

Application files

Please upload the following files to support your application:

- Current CV (4 pages max)
- Optional supporting material

Clarify the reason for including support material in your written statement responding to the selection criteria.

The optional supporting material is limited to a maximum of 5 A4 pages (or equivalent for websites, audiovisual material).

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File upload - Current CV *

Attach a file:

File upload - Optional supporting material

Attach a file:

Reason for additional supporting material:

Admin Use Only

This section is Admin Use Only

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Project Title

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Must be no more than 250 characters.

Cost Centre

Project Number

Award Number

Attachment uploaded

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Currency

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

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

As per the Procurement Policy (MPF1087)

Total Project Cost

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This number/amount is calculated.

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

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

This project involves a clinical trial

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Approved to be included in the UoM successful applications library

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Confidentiality - ALL Confidential

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

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No