

# Apply for an ARC Industry Fellowship

Building research capacity and industry collaborations to commercialise the next generation of Australian products and companies.

## About the schemes

The Australian Research Council's (ARC) Industry Fellowships schemes support academic researchers to establish careers in industry, and industry researchers to work more closely with universities. Ultimately, this supports researchers to make great discoveries in collaboration, translation and commercialisation.

Deakin is committed to the translation and commercialisation of our ideas to create positive impact for our industry partners and wider society. This is an exciting opportunity to secure funding to boost your industry networks and translate your research into solutions.

The Industry Fellowships are:

### Early Career Industry Fellowships

- develop the industry collaboration skills of early career researchers
- support early career researchers to achieve translatable and/or commercialisable outcomes

### Mid-Career Industry Fellowships

- strengthen the industry collaboration skills of mid-career researchers
- encourage uptake of a wider range of career options for established researchers
- supervise and develop future researchers and nurture their development of collaboration, commercialisation and translation skills
- deliver significant, actionable outcomes for industry partners and end-users

### Laureate Industry Fellowships

- provide leadership in the development of high quality and impactful collaborations between university and industry personnel
- fund significant programs of research that deliver step-changes across a variety of industry settings;
- provide an excellent research training environment and exemplary mentorship to nurture the development of collaboration, commercialisation and translation skills among early career researchers and Higher Degree by Research (HDR) students
- attract and retain, within Australia, outstanding researchers and research leaders of international reputation with demonstrated capacity for collaboration, commercialisation and/or translation



*Professor Luke Henderson from the Institute for Frontier Materials is our latest ARC Industry Fellow. Luke received a Mid-Career Industry Fellowship with \$1,052,296 in funding to develop a recyclable carbon fibre composite capability for Australia.*

## What funding is available?

### Early Career Researcher (ECR)

Duration: 1-3yrs

Salary + project support up to \$150K

Deakin funding: \$20K per annum + 1 PhD researcher

(Due to open on 6 September and close on 1 November 2023)

### Mid-Career Researcher (MCR)

Duration: 2-4yrs

Salary + project support up to \$290K

Deakin funding: \$40K per annum + 2 PhD researchers

(Due to open on 5 July and close on 16 August 2023)

### Laureate

Duration: 4-5yrs

Salary + project support up to \$1.5M

Deakin funding: 1 PDRA + 2 PhD researchers

(Due to open on 22 August and close on 17 October 2023)

\*All funding to cover the duration of the Fellowship. ARC funding based on 2023 round, 2024 TBC.

## Partnering with industry

These schemes will pair the successful academic researcher, the Fellow, with an industry or institutional partner for the project. The research team will collaborate with industry to:

- identify and scope the key industry challenge to be addressed (this will already exist for many proposals or can build on existing projects with industry)
- leverage our major investment and that of our external partners in industry and government into research translation and commercialisation, including through VHESIF and the Trailblazer REACH programs;
- grow the collaborative capabilities to turn innovative ideas into social and economic benefits for our communities.

## Apply now

Your application needs to include these elements:

### Impact – 25%

- The significance of the industry challenge or opportunity being addressed in the research project and its relevance to industry partners
- The potential for short-, medium- or long-term outcomes, translation, adoption and/or commercialisation beyond Fellowship completion
- The appropriateness, completeness and effectiveness of proposed pathways to impact, and related activities to support research translation, adoption and/or commercialisation, including IP management

### Commitment and alignment – 25%

- Demonstration of the mutual benefit to the Fellow and Key Industry Partner, including potential to lead to longer-term collaboration
- Strength of engagement between the Fellow and Key Industry Partner, including previous projects (where applicable), and interactions to date on the proposed project
- The extent to which all parties demonstrate a commitment to the success of the project and to expanding a collaborative relationship

### Candidate capability – 25%

- The extent to which the candidate's skills and experience, relative to opportunity, are aligned to the project
- The candidate's demonstrated capability to undertake research projects in collaboration with industry and/or other research end-user groups
- The appropriateness and effectiveness of the proposed career development plans for the Fellow, including to enhance their research translation and/or commercialisation skills

### Research quality and innovation – 25%

- The clarity and novelty of the aim and conceptual framework and the innovativeness of the research method(s) to the industry challenge or opportunity
- The novelty of the research in the context of previous research in the area
- The clear presence of the Key Industry Partner in the design, method and delivery of the research
- The feasibility of the research in terms of the project's design, participants, requested duration, required resources/facilities, risk management and appropriateness of the budget.

Laureate candidates will be rated 30% for candidate capability and 20% for research quality and innovation.

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If you're preparing a proposal, you can access internal and external support, including industry engagement opportunities. This is only possible if initial drafts are ready for review and input within 2 weeks of the application opening date.