# Expression of Interest Form To undertake a Higher Degree by Research in the Faculty of Arts and Education

Thank you for your interest in studying a Higher Degree by Research (HDR) course at Deakin University. To evaluate your eligibility for a PhD or Master by Research course you are required to complete this Expression of Interest (EoI) form.

***Please be aware, if you are applying for a scholarship this EoI form needs to be submitted a minimum of 4 weeks prior to the*** [***scholarship deadline***](https://www.deakin.edu.au/courses/fees-scholarships/scholarships/find-a-scholarship)***.***

**IMPORTANT**

Submission of this form and accompanying documentation is **not a formal application** for a Higher Degree by Research.

An *‘Invitation to Apply’* will be required from the Faculty to progress to the formal application stage. The invitation does not guarantee an offer of admission and will be subject to any conditions stipulated on the invitation.

It is standard practice for the Faculty to check all proposals for plagiarism before they are processed.

###### Personal details

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| Family Name |  | | | |
| Given Name |  | | | |
| Email Address |  | Date of Birth (dd/mm/yy) | / / | |
| Country of Citizenship or PR |  | Country of current residence |  | |
| Are you of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin? Yes  No | | | |
| Have you previously applied for a course at Deakin University? Yes  No | | | |
| If yes - Deakin ID number | | | |  |

###### APPLICATION TYPE (*select one only*)

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| 1. Candidature only |  | |
| Candidature and Scholarship**\*** | |  |  |

**\*** Please provide name of scholarships or awards [RTP/DUPR](https://www.deakin.edu.au/courses/fees-scholarships/scholarships/find-a-scholarship/rtp-and-duprs)   or [Other scholarships](https://www.deakin.edu.au/courses/fees-scholarships/scholarships)

If other, please provide details

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**\*** If you are unsuccessful for a scholarship, do you wish to be considered for candidature only? Yes  No

1. **Proposed area of study** (select one)

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| Doctor of Philosophy / A900 (Arts) |  | Master of Arts / A800 |  |
| Doctor of Philosophy / E900 (Education) |  | Master of Education (Research) / E850 |  |

1. **Proposed candidature**

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| Full-time |  | Part-time |  | **AND** | On campus |  | Off campus |  |

1. **Select the School best aligned with your research**

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| School of Communication and Creative Arts | |  | School of Humanities and Social Sciences |  | |
| School of Education | |  | Unsure which school the research is aligned to |  |
| 1. **Please list staff you’ve identified or been in contact with as prospective supervisors from the** [**Faculty staff profile**](https://www.deakin.edu.au/arts-ed) | | | | | | |  |
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###### ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS - If English is not your first language, you must meet our English language proficiency requirements. Please check the [Faculty English language requirements](https://www.deakin.edu.au/research/become-a-research-student/how-to-apply-research-degrees).

NOTE: *IELTS and TOEFL results are valid for two years after the test date.*

*The Faculty of Arts and Education will also consider the completion of the Deakin University English Language Institute (DUELI) English for Academic Purposes (EAP) program as evidence of your English language proficiency*

I have an **IELTS (Academic)** overall band score with a minimum of 7.0 with no band less than 6.5,

or   
**paper-based TOEFL** 600 with no score lower than 5.0 or **internet-based TOEFL 94** with a minimum of

24 in WritingYes  No

***OR***

**REASON FOR EXEMPTION** -Please indicate which of the following applies to you**.**  
English is my first language; or English is one of the official languages of my country. Yes  No

Study at an institution within Australia, or specified English-speaking country, completed Yes  No

**no more than** 2 years prior to enrolment at Deakin.

###### Academic Qualifications - List up to three of your highest qualifications (undergraduate and postgraduate) undertaken within the last five years.

N.B. Honours is a 4th year of a Bachelor degree. Where qualifications do not meet this requirement, the applicant must provide an additional portfolio of evidence of equivalent research or professional experience and outputs from the last **five** years to demonstrate, in the University’s judgement that they are sufficiently prepared for HDR candidature. Additional evidence may include but is not limited to; workplace experience, verified reports, reviews, conference presentations, publications, and data analysis.

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| Qualification (e.g. Bachelors, Masters) |  |  |  |
| Institution and location |  |  |  |
| University *world* ranking  University *in-country* ranking  \*NB: use Academic World Ranking of Universities (ARWU) [ARWU web site](http://www.shanghairanking.com/index.html) |  |  |  |
| Year completed |  |  |  |
| Major or discipline |  |  |  |
| Language of instruction |  |  |  |
| Final grade |  |  |  |
| GPA (grade point average) |  |  |  |

1. **THESIS/DISSERTATION -** List at least one Bachelor, Honours and Master’s thesis/dissertation. Provide the actual mark or grade received for the thesis, only use ‘pass’ if that is the actual grade received.

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| Language used |  | Degree this thesis/dissertation was for |  |
| Word count |  | Mark or grade received |  |
| **Describe the requirements of the thesis/dissertation: 1. the length of time you spent studying the research project, 2. the required length of thesis/ dissertation, 3. how it was examined (for example, internally by your supervisor, by an external marker or by a committee. The more details you provide the better we can assess your qualifications.**  If these details are available online, please provide the web address. | | | |

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###### PUBLICATIONS - Provide a list of publications in peer reviewed journals or books (if any). Provide a cite or copy of the first page of the journal for any publications you list.

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*Add additional rows if required*

1. **creative arts requirements -** Prospective applicants for creative arts disciplines that require studio space or specialist resources e.g. gaming software or VR equipment should indicate their requirements below.

**N.B.** The School of Communication and Creative Arts has a limited capacity to accommodate such requests.

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1. **DEMONSTRATED EQUIVALENCE**

1. Include research outputs as separate documents and explain the significance of the research cited.

2. Detail your contribution as the author of any presented reports.

1. **other relevant details -** Are there any other details that are relevant to this enquiry, for example, are you currently enrolled in a research degree or have you partially completed a research degree that you are no longer enrolled in?

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1. **Proposed thesis/dissertation -** Please attach a draft research proposal of approximately 700 words using the following headings as a guide (template included on the bottom of this form):

* a statement of the research project/problem/question.
* the rationale for the proposed research and its significance.
* a discussion of relevant theoretical perspectives.
* and the method(s) by which the research will be conducted

Please refer to the [Preparing a research proposal](https://www.deakin.edu.au/research/become-a-research-student/how-to-apply-research-degrees/preparing-a-research-proposal) website for further information.

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| Confirm your research proposal attached on the template below or as a separate document? | Yes |  |  |  |

**THIS IS NOT A FORMAL APPLICATION.**

Send this ‘Expression of Interest’ form and copies of supporting documents by email to [artsed-hdr@deakin.edu.au](mailto:artsed-hdr@deakin.edu.au)

It is in your interest to provide **ALL** information requested in this form as incomplete information may result in the delay in the processing of your *Expression of Interest*. You may use the proposal template on the following page as a guide.

**Privacy Statement:**

*The information on this form is collected for the primary purpose of assessing whether you are to be provided with an invitation to apply for a research degree at Deakin University. In submitting this information, you give your consent for it to be shared with Faculty staff who will make this decision.*

*You have a right to access personal information that Deakin University holds about you, subject to any exceptions in relevant legislation. If you wish to seek access to your personal information or inquire about the handling of your personal information, please contact the University Privacy Officer via email at* [*privacy@deakin.edu.au*](mailto:privacy@deakin.edu.au)*.*

**Thesis proposal template**

(The proposal should not be more than 700 words.)

Please note that your initial research proposal should be viewed as a starting point or work in progress. In your first year of candidature, your research proposal will most often be refined through detailed literature reviews, supervisors and other academic colleagues.

**Proposal Title:**

**Name:**

**Proposed degree: PhD or Master**

**The project**

[It should include what the research is about and research questions]

**Rationale**

[Why is this research important and why should it be done now?]

**Theoretical perspective**

[Very generally, how has this issue been addressed in the past and how will you address it?]

**Methodology**

[Very briefly, will you use qualitative, quantitative or mixed method, and what might it be.]

**If you intend undertaking research in the form of a creative writing and an exegetical component, please attach a sample of recent work of 5000 words (prose) or page equivalent when returning the Expression of Interest form.**