



# ELEVATE YOUR BUSINESS WITH RESEARCH

Your opportunity to innovate and collaborate through the Elevate RHD Scholarship Scheme.

## ABOUT THE SCHEME

Advance your business by partnering with CQUniversity Australia to invest in research scholarships or project support. The Elevate Research Higher Degree (RHD) Scholarship Scheme offers businesses and other partners the opportunity to access the specialised knowledge, facilities and support of a world-class research university to help solve technical challenges, work on product development and find solutions.

The Scheme is an initiative of CQUniversity's Research Division, administered through our School of Graduate Research.

## BENEFITS

- » CQUniversity will co-invest with you to support a dedicated masters or PhD student to work on your business challenge.
- » Your business will gain a full-time student fully committed to your project for two or three years. Interim deliverables can also be designed into the project, so you benefit from research results earlier.
- » Fill a skills gap and develop a talent pipeline within your business, with the reassurance of an expert supervisory team with specialist research skills, and access to the University's research infrastructure including labs and equipment.
- » CQUniversity can provide your business with opportunities for promotion within the University network and internal media such as CQUniNews. Additionally, confidentiality and commercialisation clauses can be discussed.
- » Your business has the opportunity to be involved in the student selection process, ensuring an organisational fit.
- » The scholarship may also be purposefully targeted to support your own employees if desired.



## HOW IT WORKS

Minimum business or partner cash contributions are:

- » \$30 000 (GST exclusive) over two years if applying for a Masters by Research award
- » \$45 000 (GST exclusive) over three years if applying for a Doctoral Award.

CQUniversity will co-invest in the project with you via cash and in-kind contributions, depending on project requirements. At a minimum, the University will offer:

- » Contribution to a living allowance (stipend) of at least \$28 597 per year
- » Cash commitment to support project costs and conference travel by the research student, as outlined in the table below.
- » Domestic students will be eligible for free tuition. Support may be available for international student tuition fees, by negotiation

	Project Support <sup>1</sup>	Conference Support <sup>2</sup>
Masters	\$AUD4000	\$AUD3000
PhD, Prof Doc, EdDoc	\$AUD6000	\$AUD4500

Additional scholarship funding may also be negotiated.

Your research student can spend time on your site, or work from one of CQUniversity's 20+ locations Australia-wide. We can recruit a student to your project, or you may wish to suggest a candidate. You can also undertake project work with confidence, with support available to protect your intellectual property.

Your business may also be eligible for a Research and Development tax incentive for investment in research activity, subject to meeting Australian Government requirements.

## WHY PARTNER WITH US

Our commitment to delivering research that has real impacts on our communities and local industries means research is done differently at CQUniversity. We answer challenges, develop constructive solutions and identify new opportunities in a wide range of disciplines and fields.

Our focus on practical, applied research sees us being recognised as conducting research that is at, above or well above world standard in an impressive 22 categories in the latest Excellence in Research Australia (ERA) results\*.

\* State of Australian University Research 2018-19: ERA National Report.

1 Project support is offered as assistance for meeting the direct costs of research, including laboratory, fieldwork and data collection costs, travel for supervision visits, open access publishing fees and other items.

2 Conference support is offered to active research students who are presenting their work as a CQUniversity representative at an academic event.



## FIND OUT MORE

Contact us to discuss the Elevate RHD Scholarship Scheme, or to explore other ways to connect your business with our world-class researchers.

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