



Healthy Development Adelaide (HDA) and Channel 7 Children's Research Foundation (CRF) PhD Excellence Award 2026

Value

The HDA and CRF PhD Excellence Award are \$5,000 per annum for up to 3 years only to augment an Australian Government Research Training Program (RTP) Stipend Scholarship or equivalent competitive scholarship.

Eligibility

Applications are invited for PhD Research Scholarships in the areas of *Healthy Development*: Disciplines include, but are not restricted to, allied health, biochemistry, biomedical engineering, biostatistics, demography, dentistry, digital health, disability, economics, education, endocrinology, epidemiology, ethics, genetics, indigenous health, law, nutrition, obstetrics and gynaecology, paediatrics, pharmacology, physiology, politics, psychiatry, psychology, public health and sociology. <https://health.adelaide.edu.au/healthy-development-adelaide/our-research>

Preference will be given to projects with a multidisciplinary focus and that enhance more than one discipline within the research topic.

Applications are invited from domestic and international students in their first year of candidature are eligible to apply i.e. commencement date between 1 April 2025 and 31 March 2026. Applicants should be eligible to enrol or be currently enrolled at either the University of Adelaide, University of South Australia [University of Adelaide and University of South Australia merger to Adelaide University in 2026] or Flinders University. The stipend will be paid to your university, to be provided to you as a scholarship top up for the duration of your PhD for up to 3 years only.

In addition applicants must satisfy each of the following criteria.

- Applicants must hold a first class Honours degree or equivalent in a discipline relevant to the chosen field of study
- Applicants hold an Australian Government Research Training Program (RTP) Stipend Scholarship or equivalent competitive postgraduate scholarship
- Applicants must be a 'paying' HDA member. Membership is \$60 (excluding GST) for 3 years to cover term of scholarship <https://health.adelaide.edu.au/healthy-development-adelaide/get-involved>
- Applicants must have a HDA member as their primary/principal supervisor. Supervisors must be a 'paying' member. Membership is \$60 (excluding GST) for 3 years to cover term of scholarship <https://health.adelaide.edu.au/healthy-development-adelaide/get-involved>
- Research projects must be aligned with the Healthy Development research pillars spanning preconception to adolescence

Conditions of Funding

Successful HDA Scholars will be required to participate in the HDA Research Training Program during their candidature. The program consists of a 20 hour practicum placement, mentoring component, and attending and assisting as required at HDA events.

Annual renewal of top-up funding will be subject to meeting your University postgraduate requirements, and subject to ongoing funding availability from the Channel 7 Children's Research Foundation.

Acknowledgement of Healthy Development Adelaide in research publications.

Please submit the following documents separately by 5.00pm Thursday 15 January 2026 to: Healthy Development Adelaide, Anne Jurisevic at anne.jurisevic@adelaide.edu.au

1. Completed HDA Application (doc format - in font Arial 12)
2. Up-to-Date curriculum vitae (3 page maximum)
3. Australian Government Research Training Program (RTP) or equivalent competitive scholarship Letter of Award
4. Academic transcript

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HDA Application

Closing date: 5.00pm Thursday 15 January 2026

Submission Date:			
Applicant			
Surname:		First Name:	
PhD Student	PhD commencement (dd/mm/yyyy):		
	Full name of scholarship awarded:		
University and Department/s			
Telephone:		Email:	
Primary/ principal supervisor:		Telephone & email:	
Co-supervisors		Institution & contact email	
PhD Project Title			
Provide a title here			
PhD Project & relevance to HDA			
Provide a brief description 'in lay terms' of your research project, and indicate how it aligns with the research pillar/s of Healthy Development. Provide also a brief statement of how your research project and/or supervisory team meet the multidisciplinary criterion required for this scholarship. (total content: 250-350 words)			
Name of Applicant	Signature of Applicant		Date
Name of Primary HDA Supervisor	Signature of Primary Supervisor		Date