

Policy Redesign Project

All policies and procedures are being reviewed as part of this project. This document is pending review, but remains in effect until the review is carried out.

Vice-Chancellor's Awards for Early Career Researchers

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Responsible Officer: Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research)

The Vice-Chancellor's Awards for Early Career Researchers recognises and values the outstanding contributions to the University of individual Early Career Researchers, embarking on their research career. These awards will recognise, reward and encourage excellence in research across all Colleges.

1. The granting of an award shall be approved by the Vice-Chancellor on the recommendation of the Vice-Chancellor's Awards for Early Career Researcher Awards Committee. The Committee will comprise the Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research), two Executive Deans (or their nominee).
2. Up to ten awards can be made each year. Each award is valued at \$2,500, and should fund opportunities to broaden the recipient's networks and enhance their standing and recognition as a staff member of Flinders University.
3. Each award shall be presented to the recipient at an appropriate ceremony.
4. Recipients of the award will receive a certificate and \$2,500. The award will be conferred as a significant honour.

5. Eligibility for the Awards

5.1 At the time of the nomination, nominees for the award must:

- (a) have been an academic staff member or have held academic status at Flinders University for a period of at least 12 months; and
- (b) have been awarded a PhD within the previous five years or, where there has been significant career interruption for maternity or parental leave, carer's responsibility, illness, have been awarded a PhD within the previous eight years.

5.2 Nominees, with academic status, who reside offshore will not be eligible for the Awards.

5.3 Previous recipients are not eligible for a further award.

6. Criteria

6.1 The award will be conferred in recognition of research/academic achievements shown by track record and/or potential, demonstrated by:

- Specific research achievements with a statement on the impact of the research at Flinders University, post PhD, from both the nominee and the nominator/s;
- Publication record, post PhD (include assessment of journal quality, journal ranking, citation index and impact factors. Research article/books that are in-press will be considered but not those that are in-preparation or submitted. Book reviews and quality of book publishers will also be evaluated. Nominees must comment on the standard of the publications and their role in multi-authored publications
- Awards or prizes
- Positions gained
- Grants obtained, with income
- Patents held.

7. Procedures

7.1 Each year the Deputy-Vice Chancellor (Research) will invite nominations for the Vice-Chancellor's Awards for Early Career Researchers.

7.2 Nominations will be made on the standard form. The nomination form must bear the signature of the nominator, one supporter and the nominee's supervisor.

7.3 All nominations will be referred to the Committee for consideration.

7.4 The Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Research), will approve the wording of the Certificate for the award.

7.5 The award of \$2,500 will be deposited into a University account and must be used by the award winner whilst an employee or an academic status holder of Flinders University.

Related Links

[Early Research Nomination form](#)

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