



Arts and Health Alliance (AaHA)

Flinders University, University of Adelaide, University of South Australia

COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH GRANT SCHEME

GUIDELINES

Purpose and Aims

This collaborative research grant scheme supports the new cross-university Arts and Health Alliance (AHA) between Flinders University, University of Adelaide, and the University of South Australia (UniSA), which takes a whole-of-State view to exploring and testing new approaches to how we understand and support improved health outcomes for all.

In August 2022 the three universities committed to a fresh and exciting cross-university alliance to take a coordinated approach to arts and health research with government, industry and end-users in South Australia. The three universities agreed to a collaborative grant scheme to support new research across the arts and health sector.

This funding opportunity is designed to foster vibrant, collaborative and co-designed research across the three South Australian universities to produce real-world outcomes for end-users and research partners in the interdisciplinary space of arts and health.

We seek to co-design new and transformative Arts and Health practices through collaborative research, teaching, clinical care and capacity creation.

This grant scheme supports interdisciplinary, collaborative research projects related to the AaHA. Applications should address one or more of the following areas:

- Issues of key relevance, e.g., ageing well, dying well, mental health, dementia, rehabilitation, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health, gender and women's health, disability
- Demonstrate genuine co-design between all three SA universities, including staff, students, industry experts and community
- Connect with industry leaders in Arts and Health across South Australia for transformative practices and impact (*we require teams to include at least one industry partner)
- Create new knowledge or practices, and resonant translational research, to improve the wellbeing and health outcomes for community.

The three universities are committed to partnering for collaborative research excellence that promotes translational outcomes. Harnessing existing expertise within each university, as well as knowledge from consumers and the Arts and Health workforce, is desirable. Teams that reflect these values and showcase diversity are strongly encouraged.

Expected Outcomes

- Design models for new creative or practice-based outcomes that are mutually beneficial for partners, community, and universities beyond academia, with **a focus on end-users**
- Plans for how the project may be scaled up and will lead to new partnership(s) and/or the opportunity to leverage external grant(s) funding
- Publications – in line with university-suggested research performance metrics (i.e., fully peer reviewed articles in Q1 journals, ideally top 10% journals)
- Share outcomes from the project via a range of methods. This may include newsletters, Twitter, Blogs, freely accessible infographics to be hosted on websites, consumer summaries, or other creative- or project-specific means
- Develop and implement a knowledge exchange/communication plan to support the generation of the expected outcomes (e.g., free easy-to-read documents for people with disabilities, translated materials for CALD communities, materials for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and their communities, traditional and social media, national/international webinars, Institute TED talk style, video blogs, grant work plan, etc.).
- Where relevant incorporate findings into teaching and training for students and staff in the arts and health sectors, and more broadly e.g., education.

NB: For successful applicants, project completion reports will be mandatory, stating how outcomes were met. This will be taken into account for future funding schemes.

Funding

Two levels of grant are offered:

- ECR-led grant up to \$15,000
- MCR/SCR-led grant up to \$30,000

Applicants can seek up to a maximum of small grant \$15,000 or large grant \$30,000 per project to be fully expended by 30th November 2023. Co-investment (both cash and in-kind) from partners is encouraged.

Review Panel

The review panel will comprise of representatives from each university, as well as select AaHA partners, and at least one ECR/MCR researcher.

Key Dates

- Grant Applications Open: **December 8th, 2022**
- Grant Applications Close: **5pm Friday 1st March 2023 (extended from original date)**
- Panel Review: **March 2023**
- Results Announced: **April 2023**
- Funding is to be expended in 2023 but final reports are not due until March 2024.
- Unspent funds will be returned to the AaHA Research Initiative
- Completion Report Due: March 2024 or tbc.

Eligibility

We seek to support diverse teams comprised of researchers from at least two universities (with all three encouraged) that include individuals with a range of skills and a range of career backgrounds. Eligible applications should come from multi-disciplinary teams, and we strongly encourage least one ECR/MCR team member and representation from the arts and health industry as well as at least one consumer or end-user. For this grant scheme, an ECR is considered as being within five to eight years of PhD conferral, and an MCR between eight and fifteen years.

Proposals that include a consumer, end-user and industry partner are strongly encouraged.

The primary applicant (CI) must:

- be an academic (balanced or research-focussed) staff member in one of the three universities
- hold a permanent or fixed-term contract position with the said university at a fraction of no less than 0.5 FTE and a contract that extends to at least the project end date

An applicant may only submit one application as the lead CI under this grant scheme. Applicants may contribute as an associate investigator (AI) on one other application.

Please note that it is expected that ethics applications should be submitted in a timely fashion, should they be required, in order to carry out the project.

Criteria for the Award of Funding

Only applications complying with eligibility (see above) will be reviewed by the panel.

Criteria	Weighting
1. Project Quality , in the form of a summary of the project proposal demonstrating methodology/design, significance and innovation	40%
2. Feasibility , including researcher track records, team synergy/capacity and capacity to collaborate across organisations, likelihood of timelines in terms of ethics approvals, data collection/analysis etc, ready access to necessary expertise, and management strategies where govt, other organisations, and/or community participants are involved to ensure accountability and timely completion of project	20%
3. Proposed outcomes , including traditional and non-traditional outputs, knowledge exchange/communication as outlined above under 'expected outcomes	20%
4. Benefits . Applicants must include details of alignment with university and AHA research priorities, and outline anticipated longer-term partnering with industry and community organisations as well as economic, policy and community benefits and how this investment will lead to external grant income and research translation.	10%
5. Budget justification . It is essential to fully specify each budget item (e.g., in terms of number of casual RA/postdoc/biostatistician hours including on-costs , current quotes from survey companies, current quotes for equipment, etc.)	10%

Budget Items Considered for Funding

Budget items which directly support the project and may be funded are:

- Salaries for casual personnel (please include detailed personnel requirements including qualification(s) and nature of work (i.e., statistical support, data collection from survey companies))
- Equipment (e.g., consumer-level technologies)
- Online software not already available that is essential to conduct the project, or payments to external survey companies
- Maintenance and consumables that are not already available and are essential to your project
- Payments for research participants or community engagement (up to a limit of 25% of total funding sought; please specify how payments will be made)
- Costs related to dissemination (i.e., open-access publishing fees, quotes for creation of free online resources, costs of dissemination workshops).

Budget Items not Considered for Funding

- Salary payments for any of the named investigators (exceptions may be granted in the case of community-based investigators contributing to co-design)
- Costs associated with ethics application or approval
- Software and equipment already available at any of the universities taking part in the project
- Funding for teaching relief or teaching related activities.

Conditions of Funding

- Project funds may only be used for the types of items listed above, or any other items that is agreed to by the Review Panel.
- The AHaA may publish details of successful applications, including but not limited to:
 - the names of Investigator/s
 - names of partner organisation/s,
 - the title of the project,
 - a summary of the project and the
 - amounts contributed by the AaHA
 - amounts contributed by partner organisation/s.
- Funding needs to be expended **November 30th, 2023**. There will be no carry over of funds into 2024.
- Successful applicants must submit a three-page project completion report at the close of the grant. Late completion reports will not be accepted.
- Non-compliance of these conditions will affect eligibility for any future AaHA grant opportunities.

Application and Submission Process

Applications for this scheme must be submitted via a max. **3-page word document with 2cm margins and 12-point font, project title, list of all investigators/partners and their affiliations, and 5 subheadings as listed in the table of criteria above**. Any applications that exceed the page limit or do not adhere to any of these requirements will be ineligible.

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Late applications will not be accepted.

COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH GRANT SCHEME APPLICATION

Researcher Information/Primary Applicant - Chief Investigator (CI)	
Name	
Affiliation	
Position title, level classification	
Academic position commitment	<input type="checkbox"/> Balanced (Teaching and Research) <input type="checkbox"/> Research-focussed
Academic position type	<input type="checkbox"/> Permanent <input type="checkbox"/> Fixed term contract, expiry date of contact /...../.....
Fraction at which you are employed if it is less than 1.0 (full-time)	<input type="checkbox"/> I am full-time OR I am employed at 0. ____
Status	<input type="checkbox"/> Early Career Researcher (ECR), PhD conferral date /...../..... <input type="checkbox"/> Mid-Career Researcher (MCR), PhD conferral date /...../.....
Speciality/discipline	
Curriculum vitae attached	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Publication list attached	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Acknowledgement	
<input type="checkbox"/> I confirm that the information given in this form is complete and accurate.	

Researcher Information – Associate Investigator (AI)	
Name	
Affiliation	
Position title, level classification	
Academic position commitment	<input type="checkbox"/> Balanced (Teaching and Research) <input type="checkbox"/> Research-focussed
Academic position type	<input type="checkbox"/> Permanent <input type="checkbox"/> Fixed term contract, expiry date of contact /...../.....
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Publication list attached	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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Partner Information – Consumer or End-user	
Name	
Affiliation	
Position title, level classification	
Academic position commitment	<input type="checkbox"/> Balanced (Teaching and Research) <input type="checkbox"/> Research-focussed
Academic position type	<input type="checkbox"/> Permanent <input type="checkbox"/> Fixed term contract, expiry date of contact /...../.....
Fraction at which you are employed if it is less than 1.0 (full-time)	<input type="checkbox"/> I am full-time OR I am employed at 0. ____
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Speciality/discipline	
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Project Details	
Nature of funding sought	<input type="checkbox"/> ECR-led grant (up to \$15,000) <input type="checkbox"/> MCR/SCR-led grant (up to \$30,000)
Project Title	
List of other researchers involved with the project and their roles (e.g., associate investigator) <i>(Please note: each researcher listed on the application must provide a completed 'researcher information' form copied from the first section above.)</i>	
Is ethics approval required for this project?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Approval has been sought (List date of application) /...../..... <input type="checkbox"/> Approval has been granted (Insert approval number)
Planned commencement for this project /...../.....
Planned completion date for this project /...../.....

Criteria
<p>Project Quality (in the form of a summary of the project proposal demonstrating methodology/design, significance, and innovation)</p>
<p>Feasibility (including researcher track records, team synergy/capacity and capacity to collaborate across organisations, likelihood of timelines in terms of ethics approvals, data collection/analysis etc, ready access to necessary expertise, and management strategies where govt, other organisations, and/or community participants are involved to ensure accountability and timely completion of project)</p>
<p>Proposed outcomes (including traditional, non-traditional outputs and knowledge exchange/communication)</p>

Criteria		
<p>Benefits (Applicants must include details of alignment with university and AaHA research priorities, and outline anticipated longer-term partnering with industry and community organisations as well as economic, policy and community benefits and how this investment will lead to external grant income and research translation)</p>		
Budget		
Total amount of funding sought	\$	
Project costs	Items	Amount
Personnel (<i>include rate, number of hours required and salary recipient if known, include oncosts</i>)	-	\$
	-	\$
	-	\$
Equipment	-	\$
	-	\$
Maintenance (<i>misc. consumables i.e., software, stationery</i>)	-	\$
	-	\$
	-	\$
Travel	-	\$
	-	\$
	-	\$
Other	-	\$
	-	\$
<p>Budget justification - It is essential to fully specify each budget item (e.g., in terms of number of casual RA/postdoc/biostatistician hours including on-costs, current quotes from survey companies, current quotes for equipment, etc.)</p>		

Criteria

Attachment Checklist
<input type="checkbox"/> Researcher information sections for all researchers and partners
<input type="checkbox"/> Short (6 page) curriculum vitae and publication lists for all researchers and
<input type="checkbox"/> Quotes/evidence for budget items (e.g., equipment, travel)
<input type="checkbox"/> Application form and attachments combined into one PDF document <i>(Please note the presentation of your application is important)</i>

Acknowledgement
<input type="checkbox"/> I confirm that the information given in this form is complete and accurate.

Signature
<p>Project Chief Investigator</p> <p>Name: Signature:</p> <p>Date: /...../.....</p>
<p>University Representative of the Chief Investigator</p> <p>Name: Signature:</p> <p>Date: /...../.....</p>