

RANZCP Psychotherapy Research Award

Terms of Reference



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Name of the award	RANZCP Psychotherapy Research Award
Purpose	The RANZCP's Faculty of Psychotherapy established the RANZCP Psychotherapy Research Award in 2009, to encourage research in psychotherapy amongst psychiatry Trainees and Fellows in Australia and New Zealand.
Funding source	Faculty of Psychotherapy
Number offered	One (1)
Interest area	Research into psychotherapy
Form of the award	<p>The Award comprises an award certificate and provision of funding (in line with the research project budget) for the proposed research, to a maximum of AUD\$10,000 (plus GST).</p> <p>The Scholarship recipient will receive a formal letter of offer and an invitation to accept the Scholarship at the College Ceremony during Congress.</p> <p>The Award is made available annually.</p>
Eligibility	<p>The Award is open to psychiatry trainees, recent Fellows within five years of admission to Fellowship, or Fellows undertaking RANZCP Advanced Training in the Psychotherapies.</p> <p>The Award may be made to one person, a team, or multiple applicants. If there are no suitable applicants, the Award will not be made in that year. Previous recipients of the Award will not be eligible to receive the Award on a further occasion.</p>
Special conditions	The recipient should submit a report at the completion of the research that is supported by the Award. It is envisaged that the research will also be presented for publication in either the Australian and New Zealand Journal of Psychiatry or Australasian Psychiatry
Checklist to apply	<p>The following documentation is required to complete an application</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proof of ethics - approval, or evidence of a pending application, to carry out your research from the Human Research Ethics Committees (HREC), or the Health and Disability Ethics Committees (HDECs, NZ) or another approved ethics committee. If you are unable to provide this, please submit a letter from your supervisor confirming that you are in the process of obtaining ethics approval. - Letter of support from your Supervisor.
Selection criteria	<p>Applications are assessed based on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scientific merit - Feasibility - Significance - Role of applicant, applicant quality and experience, and research environment - Any other criteria determined by the RANZCP Faculty of Psychotherapy Committee
Selection process	<p>The selection panel will comprise:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Chair (or nominee), RANZCP Faculty of Psychotherapy Committee

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- Chair (or nominee), RANZCP Committee for Research
 - Another member, RANZCP Faculty of Psychotherapy Committee
 - A community member from the Committee for Research or nominee from the Community Collaboration Committee.

In making a recommendation the Selection Panel will consider the research protocol submitted, and the addition to the body of knowledge in psychotherapy following the completion of the applicant's research.

Terms	Grant applicants will be required to accept the RANZCP Grant Funding Rules to apply.
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July 2019	New	FoP Committee	Approved by the FoP Committee July 2019.
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