

**FACULTY RESEARCH GRANT  
2009 for 2010  
MAXIMUM GRANT \$15,000**

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**1. PURPOSE OF THE SCHEME**

The purpose of the Faculty Research Grant (FRG) is to provide funding to support larger group research projects of merit in the disciplines based within the Faculty – Exercise Science, Midwifery and Nursing. The aim of the grant is to support research to assist in establishing project feasibility and improve the application's chances in relevant future external grants.

**2. ADMINISTRATION OF THE SCHEME**

The FRG will be administered by the Office of the Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences through the Associate Dean Research, Research Training & Partnerships and the Faculty Research Grant assessment panel.

**3. ELIGIBILITY FOR THE SCHEME**

All full-time and part-time academic staff members of the Faculty of Health Sciences who are appointed over 12 month tenure will be eligible to apply for a grant in 2010. Eligibility for the scheme may be determined by evidence of membership of a research team, which may include external collaborators. Priority will be given to collaborative projects that reflect the research focus of the Faculty. Please note that only one application per lead researcher (chief investigator), and only one application with the same two investigators, will be considered by the committee.

**4. SELECTION PROCESS**

The Selection Committee will rank the applications received using the following selection criteria:

- Strength of the proposal and methodological rigour;
- Significance and relevance to Faculty research focus;
- Likelihood of achieving a recognisable outcome such as a successful external grant and/or publication;
- Consistency with the Faculty's current research priorities as identified by CoPAAL and NaCCOR.
- The development of research teams within the Faculty;
- The mentoring of early career researchers.

**5. LEVEL OF FUNDING**

The Faculty Research Grant scheme will enable projects of up to \$15,000. Close attention will be paid to budget substantiation. Please note that only 25% of the budget will be allowed for purchase of major pieces of equipment, and overseas travel will not normally be funded.

**6. DURATION OF FUNDING**

Expenditure of the 2010 FRG must be completed in 2010.

**7. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

A final report (no more than two [2] pages) summarizing the project and outcomes will be due on **Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> March 2011**. An interim report will be required with any applications for funding in 2010 that builds on research for which funding was awarded in the previous year.

**8. APPLICATION FORM**

Applications are to be made on the designated form.

Applications are to be received by the Executive Officer of the Office of the Dean by, **Friday, 30<sup>th</sup> October 2009**.

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**APPLICATION FORM FOR THE FACULTY RESEARCH GRANT IN 2010**

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The application must be typewritten – please use minimum font size 11.

Applications should be received by the Office of the Dean by 5pm on Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> of October 2009.

1. **CHIEF INVESTIGATOR (S):**

2. **CO-INVESTIGATOR (S):**

**TITLE OF RESEARCH PROJECT:**

4. **SCHOOL:**

5. **CAMPUS:**

6. **COMMENCEMENT DATE OF RESEARCH PROJECT:**

7. **ANTICIPATED DATE OF COMPLETION OF THE RESEARCH PROJECT:**

8. **DECLARATION**

I understand and agree that, if awarded the funding will be expended for the purpose stated in the application to the Faculty of Health Sciences, Australian Catholic University. If circumstances necessitate a change of purpose from that originally requested, this variation must be requested in writing to the Dean prior to expenditure of the funds.

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT(S):**

**DATE:**

9. **ENDORSEMENT BY HEAD OF SCHOOL:**

**SIGNATURE: DATE:**

**10. RESEARCH PROPOSAL** (in no more than four [4] pages):  
 (Sections: literature review, aims, significance, method, anticipated outcomes, contribution to the Faculty's research priorities, development of research teams and mentoring of ECR.

**11. JUSTIFICATION OF PROPOSED PROJECT**

Please justify how undertaking this study will increase the applicant's or applicants' chances of applying for an external grant and where possible, identify a targeted granting body.

**12. PROPOSED BUDGET:**

	\$ Amount	On Costs	Total
Personnel (salaries and on-costs)			
Teaching relief			
Equipment			
Travel			
Maintenance			
Other (identify)			
<b>Total</b>			

**12. SUBSTANTIATION OF THE BUDGET: (in no more than 1 page)**

**NB:** On costs where appropriate are to be clearly identified within the budget information. Details regarding salaries and on costs can be verified by the Finance Officer.

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Outcome:	<b>APPROVED / NOT APPROVED</b>
Funds allocated:	<b>\$</b>
Applicant(s):	<b>DATE:</b> ____ / ____ / ____
Reported to Research Standing Committee:	<b>DATE:</b> ____ / ____ / ____