

Ignition Grants Application Form

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Please note that only applications submitted online via the Funding Schemes site will be considered.**

Responsibilities & obligations

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Eligibility, responsibilities and obligations

Eligibility

- Proposals are invited from academic staff from all disciplines at the University of Sydney and National Taiwan University and their affiliated Research Centres and Institutes.
- Applicants from the affiliated University of Sydney Research Centres and Institutes must be University Title Holders.
- Sydney: Chief Investigators must be employed on a full-time, part-time (appointed at least 0.5 FTE), fixed term or continuing basis. If on a fixed term contract, the end date must be beyond the funding period.
- NTU: Chief Investigators must be tenure-track faculty member and not on sabbatical leave throughout the project period.
- Higher Degree Research students and research assistants/associates are not eligible to apply as Chief Investigators, but they are encouraged to join the applications.
- Sydney Chief Investigators may not hold more than one award from the Office of Global & Research Engagement at the same time. Those who currently hold other funding from this Office may apply for the Sydney-NTU Ignition Grants only if their existing project will be completed prior to the commencement of the new project. Applicants in this category are required to submit a progress report as part of their application. The report should be a single-page narrative outlining the progress to date and the unexpended award balance and must be attached to the application at the time of submission.
- Sydney Chief Investigators who have previously received funding from the Sydney Office of Global & Research Engagement and have completed their project may apply for the Sydney-NTU Ignition Grants only if the final report for the previous project has been submitted.
- Each Chief Investigator from Sydney and NTU can only submit one application per round of the Ignition Grants.

No Responses Selected

Responsibilities and obligations

Expectations for responsible research practice can be found in the [Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research 2018](#) and the University's [Research Code of Conduct 2019](#)

No Responses Selected

Provide NTU Chief Investigator access to edit application

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The NTU Chief Investigator can only access and edit this application after you have added them as a "Collaborator" on this application, and they have accepted your invitation and agree to receive email from the system. If you have not yet done this, please click on "Back to application" (left side of screen) to return to home page and click on the "Add collaborator" button to send an email invite to the NTU Chief Investigator.

Add NTU Chief Investigator

Tick the box below after you have added the NTU Chief Investigator as a "Collaborator".

Confirmation

No Responses Selected

Sydney Chief Investigator Information

Title	(No response)
First Name	(No response)
Surname	(No response)
Staff Number	(No response)
Position	(No response)
Email	(No response)
Phone Number	(No response)
ORCID ID (16 digits without dashes)	(No response)
Gender	(No response)
Do you identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?	(No response)
Research Career Stage	(No response)
Faculty	(No response)
School	(No response)

Application Endorsement

After completion of this application form you will be required to obtain the expressed approval from your Head of School or Head of Research Centre for final submission the University of Sydney. A pre-filled Endorsement Coversheet will be provided to the Sydney Chief Investigator by email for this purpose.

Sydney Endorser

Provide the details of the Head of School or Head of Research Centre who will be endorsing the submission of this application

Name	(No response)
Position	(No response)
Faculty/Dept/School/Centre	(No response)

NTU Chief Investigator Information

Title	(No response)
First Name	(No response)
Surname	(No response)
Position	(No response)
College	(No response)
Department	(No response)
Email	(No response)
Phone Number	(No response)
Name in Chinese	(No response)

Collaborators Information

Sydney collaborators

Please provide details of all USyd collaborators, other than the Chief Investigator

	Title	Full Name	Position	Faculty/Centre	Role within Project	Research Career Stage	Email
1							
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Multidisciplinary initiatives

Please indicate all multidisciplinary initiatives your team has an affiliation with or is a member of.

Select	(No response)
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NTU collaborators

Please provide details of all NTU collaborators, other than the Chief Investigator

	Title	Full Name	Position	College/School/Department	Role within Project	Research Career Stage	Email
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Additional Collaborating Investigators

(From any institution OTHER than Sydney or NTU).

	Title	Full Name	Position	Institution/Faculty/Centre	Role within Project	Research Career Stage	Email
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How many PhD candidates, ECRs and MCRs are involved in the project?

ECR being defined as within 10 years of award of PhD.

MCR being defined as between 10 -15 years of award of PhD.

PhD candidate	(No response)
ECR	(No response)
MCR	(No response)

Project Details

Project Title

Max 256 characters

(No response)

Abstract

*** Please note that this Abstract may be published online (eg. Academic Profile) *** (Max 140 words)

(No response)

Project Description in Layman's Terms

*** Please note that this Project Description may be published online (eg. Staff News) *** (Max 100 words)

(No response)

Is this application multi-disciplinary?

(No response)

What disciplines are involved?

(No response)

Which UN Sustainable Development Goal(s) does your project seek to address?

Please read the descriptions of the [SDG Targets and Indicators](#) before selecting below.

No Responses Selected

Please indicate if the project is in support of:

(No response)

Is this the first time collaborating with National Taiwan University?

This question is only for the USyd Chief Investigator

(No response)

Is this the first time collaborating with an institution from Taiwan?

This question is only for the USyd Chief Investigator

(No response)

Please give brief details on all previous, existing, and newly developed collaborations/ties related to this project.

(No response)

Project Start Date:

Select date.

Note: Latest date for projects to start is **31 January 2026**.

(No response)

Project End Date:

Select date.

Note: Projects must end by **31 December 2026**.

(No response)

Selection Criteria

Please address the following 3 criteria:

Quality and Relevance

- Clearly describe the objectives and methodology to be employed with the project. The alignment with strategic priorities and the objectives of the funding scheme will be considered in combination with the soundness of the concept and credibility of the proposed methodology. (Note: Proposals should use clear writing appropriate for non-specialists and make a strong case for the importance of the project to reviewers outside the discipline. It is strongly advised that the proposals avoid jargon and unexplained abbreviations).
- Explain how the participants in the research team will bring together the necessary expertise to carry out the project. The 2-page CVs of the Chief Investigators will be taken into consideration.

Execution

- Elaborate on the workplan and milestones outlined in the timeframe (there are separate sections in the application form for an outline of activities in the Timeline and Budget). Proposed timeframes and budget estimates should be realistic and appropriate.
- Outline the long-term plan for engagement to attract research funding. Proposals must include a specific and concrete plan for how the project will become sustainable. Elaborate on why the project will be competitive for future external funding. (There is a separate section in the application form in expected outcomes to list the extramural funding which will be targeted).
- This section should also address the appropriateness of the allocation of tasks, ensuring that all participants (including PhD students, postdocs, Early and Mid-Career Researchers (EMCR), and any researchers on Sabbatical Leave) have a valid role and there are adequate resources in the project to enable them to fulfil that role.

Impact

- Outline what the participants will gain from the project and how it will contribute to the discipline and field of research.
- Explain how the project will establish or strengthen a durable cooperation between the universities and participants.
- Explain how the project will impact beyond the academic sphere (i.e. benefit society, address global challenges, [Sustainable Development Goals](#), etc.).
- Explain how the project activities and results will be communicated to different target audiences.

The sections for responses to the criteria above are limited to 300 words each

Quality & Relevance

(No response)

Execution

(No response)

Impact

(No response)

Project Expected Outcomes

How many publications are you expecting to result from this project?

Eg. Journal Articles, Conference Proceedings, Book Chapter, Research Report for External Body, Patents, etc.

Journals	(No response)
Conference Proceedings	(No response)
Books	(No response)
Book Chapters	(No response)
Patents	(No response)
Creative Works and/or Non-traditional Research Outputs	(No response)
Others	(No response)

What external funding opportunities will be targeted following the completion of this proposal?

Please specify the external funding organisations and schemes to which you aim to submit applications by name, and where possible, include a web link and the submission deadline.

Applicants must include at least one (1) Category 1-3 national/international competitive grant submission.

Category 1: Australian Competitive Grant Research Income. For example, the ARC, NHMRC, MRFF, etc.

Category 2: Other Public Sector Research Funding. Other Australian Government schemes and business enterprises and State and local governments and partly government-owned or funded bodies.

Category 3: Industry and other Funding for Research. Research grants or contract research with Australian or international industry or non-Australian Government agencies. Funding through donations, bequests, charities and foundations (both Australian and international).

Eg. * Australian Research Council, Discovery Projects 2025, <https://www.arc.gov.au/grants/discovery-program/discovery-projects>, 27 February 2025

(No response)

Project Timeline

Projects can start no later than **31 January 2026** and end by no later than **31 December 2026**.

Final reports are due by 31 March 2027.

Final report updates required by 31 March 2028.

	Date (DD/MM/YYYY)	Activity	Outcome
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(No response)

Budget

The maximum amount that applicants can request for projects is **AUD 10,000 from Sydney** and **NTD 200,000 from NTU**.

Please follow the program guideline regarding the Eligible Grant Expenditure and Activities to plan for your budget and provide details on how the funds will be used by the following categories.

Expenses/activities eligible for Sydney funding include:

- Airfares: Only travel on economy class will be considered for funding. Applicants must clearly indicate the traveller's name, career stage, and the planned dates and duration of travel in the budget submission.
- Other travel expenses (e.g. train, rental car)
- Costs for hosting seminars/conferences or workshops. Applicants must clearly indicate the planned dates and place of the event.
- Accommodation and subsistence
- Consumables (a detailed justification of the consumables to be purchased should be included in the Supplementary Budget Information section.)
- Publications and printing costs.

Expenses/activities eligible for NTU funding include:

- Airfares: Only travel on economy class will be considered
- Other travel expenses (e.g. train, rental car)
- Costs for hosting seminars/conferences or workshops in Taiwan. Applicants must clearly indicate the planned dates and place of the event.
- Joint virtual events (conference, workshop, webinar, forum, symposium)
- Accommodation and subsistence whilst travelling abroad
- Hosting foreign, non-NTU scholars (daily stipend in principle)
- Fieldwork

Please specify budget for Sydney and NTU separately.

Funding from Sydney must be expended and charged to the nominated project account of the Chief Investigator by **1 December 2026**.

Funding from NTU must be expended by **31 December 2026**.

The overall requested amounts for Sydney and NTU should be as close to even as possible.

Budget for Sydney

Funding from Sydney is only available in 2026 and must be expended and charged to the nominated project account of the Chief Investigator by 1 December 2026.

All amounts should be provided in Australian dollars.

Travel Expenses of Sydney Researcher(s)

All amounts should be provided in Australian dollars.

Only travel on economy class will be considered for funding. Applicants must clearly indicate the traveler's name, career stage, and the planned dates and duration of travel in the budget submission.

	Requested Funds from Sydney	Other Contributions (if any)	Item Description
Flights by Sydney researcher(s)			
Accommodation			
Meals & Incidentals			
Other			
Sub Total	0	0	

1st Workshop /Symposium/Roundtable

All amounts should be provided in Australian dollars.

Applicants must clearly indicate the planned dates and place of the event.

	Requested Funds from Sydney	Other Contributions (if any)	Item Descriptions
Venue Hire			
Catering			
Other			
Sub Total	0	0	

(No response)

Other Expenses

All amounts should be provided in Australian dollars.

A detailed justification of the consumables to be purchased should be included in the Supplementary Budget Information section.)

	Requested Funds from Sydney	Other Contributions (if any)	Item Descriptions
Publications & Printing			
Consumables			
Other miscellaneous (please provide comments)			
Sub Total	0	0	

Supplementary Budget Information:

Provide any other information which you believe should be taken into consideration

(No response)

Total Requested Funds from Sydney in AUD\$: 0.00

Other Contributions in AUD\$: 0.00

Total Budget in AUD\$: 0.00

Budget for NTU

Funding from NTU must be expended by **31 December 2026**. Grants from NTU not spent by 31 December 2026 must be returned so that unspent balances can be re-allocated.

All amounts should be provided in New Taiwan dollars.

Travel Expenses of NTU Researcher(s)

All amounts should be provided in New Taiwan dollars.

	Requested Funds from NTU	Other Contributions (if any)	Item Description
Flights by NTU researcher(s)			
Accommodation			
Meals & Incidentals			
Other			
Sub Total	0	0	

1st Workshop /Symposium/Roundtable/Joint virtual events

All amounts should be provided in New Taiwan dollars.

Applicants must clearly indicate the planned dates and place of the event.

	Requested Funds from NTU	Other Contributions (if any)	Item Descriptions
Venue Hire			
Catering			
Other			
Sub Total	0	0	

(No response)

2nd Workshop / Symposium /Roundtable /Joint virtual events

All amounts should be provided in New Taiwan dollars.

Applicants must clearly indicate the planned dates and place of the event.

	Requested Funds from NTU	Other Contributions (if any)	Item Descriptions
Venue Hire			
Catering			
Other			
Sub Total	0	0	

Other Expenses

All amounts should be provided in New Taiwan dollars.

A detailed justification of the consumables to be purchased should be included in the Supplementary Budget Information section.)

	Requested Funds from NTU	Other Contributions (if any)	Item Descriptions
Publications & Printing			
Consumables			
Hosting foreign, non-NTU scholars (daily stipend in principle)			
Fieldwork			
Other miscellaneous (please provide comments)			
Sub Total	0	0	

Supplementary Budget Information:

Provide any other information which you believe should be taken into consideration

(No response)

Total Requested Funds from NTU in NTD\$: Error: Invalid expression

Other Contributions in NTD\$: 0.00

Total Budget in NTD\$: 0.00

Figures & Images (Optional)

Incomplete

If there are any figures or images which you would like to include as part of your submission please upload them here.

CV of Sydney Chief Investigator

Incomplete

The CV of the USyd Chief Investigator (**no more than 2 pages**) should include:

- Qualifications, current position and brief employment history
- 10 career-best publications
- Awards and relevant presentations
- Current grant income
- Collaborative track record (limited to 200 words)

Note: Only .doc or .pdf formats are accepted

CV of NTU Chief Investigator

Incomplete

The CV of the NTU Chief Investigator (**no more than 2 pages**) should include:

- Qualifications, current position and brief employment history
- 10 career-best publications
- Awards and relevant presentations
- Current grant income
- Collaborative track record (limited to 200 words)

Note: Only .doc or .pdf formats are accepted

Letters of Support (Optional)

Incomplete

If relevant, letters of support from any additional collaborating partner institution(s) (any institution OTHER than USyd or NTU) outlining any collaboration activity to date and/or specifying their contribution to the program (in cash or kind)

Note: Only .doc or .pdf formats are accepted

Ongoing project Progress Report (Optional)

Incomplete

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Note: Only .doc or .pdf formats are accepted

The University of Sydney Endorsement Coversheet

Incomplete

All applications require the endorsement by the relevant University of Sydney Head of School.

A pre-filled Endorsement Coversheet is automatically generated by the application system after completion of the Ignition Grants Application Form (online) and sent to the Sydney Chief Investigator's email for this purpose. The signed coversheet must be uploaded before submission. Digital signatures are acceptable.

To ensure sufficient time for endorsement, it is highly recommended that the Endorsement Coversheet and a downloaded copy of the completed online application be provided to the Head of School well in advance of the application deadline.

Note: After you have completed the Ignition Grants Application Form, if you make further changes to it, a new Endorsement Coversheet will be sent to the Sydney Chief Investigator.

Account details

Incomplete

This section only applies to the University of Sydney Chief Investigator. In the event that your application is successful, please provide your Responsibility Centre (RC) code.

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Responsibility Centre (RC) account code

Confirm with your Finance Manager the appropriate Responsibility Centre (RC) account code to be used for the transfer of awarded funds for your project.

If your project is successful, after funds have been transferred you will be notified by the Office of Global Engagement of the Project Code (PC) used in combination with the nominated RC. For details on how to access the account using this RC/PC combination please liaise with your local Finance Manager.

Please enter your Responsibility Centre account code below.

(No response)

Analysis Code (if applicable)

If you would also like to use an Analysis Code, please confirm with your local Finance Manager and enter it below.

(No response)

Finance Manager

Please provide the name and email of your Finance Manager

Name	(No response)
Email	(No response)

Submit Application

Incomplete

After you have finished all the required tasks in your application, please remember to click the green **"SUBMIT"** button on the left hand side of the dashboard to submit your application.

Form for "Submit Application"

Submit Application

No Responses Selected