

# Higher Degree Research Student and Early Career Research Fellow Travel Scheme

## Guidelines

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### 1. Introduction

CEPAR is committed to providing opportunities for CEPAR affiliated Higher Degree Research (HDR) Students and Early Career Research<sup>1</sup> Fellows (ECRFs) to collaborate with our Chief Investigators (CIs), international Partner Investigators (PIs) and Associate Investigators (AIs) and to build their research networks. We also recognise the value of facilitating visits between Collaborating Organisations (UNSW, ANU, USyd), and hosting visits from ECRFs and HDR students working with our PIs and AIs. As well as providing career development opportunities for CEPAR fellows and students, the scheme aims to strengthen collaborative links between participating organisations.

### 2. Eligibility

#### 2.1. HDR students

Applicants must have completed at least one full time equivalent year of HDR candidature, be currently enrolled and progressing satisfactorily.

An applicant based at an Australian university under the supervision of a CEPAR CI or AI must be a CEPAR affiliated student<sup>2</sup>. An applicant based at an international university working on a topic closely aligned with Centre research under the supervision of a CEPAR PI or AI may apply on the recommendation of their supervisor.

#### 2.2. ECRFs

An applicant based at an Australian university must be employed as a CEPAR research fellow under the supervision or mentorship of a CEPAR CI or AI. An applicant based at an international university and working on a topic closely aligned with Centre research under the supervision of a CEPAR PI or AI may apply on the recommendation of their supervisor.

### 3. Scheme

3.1. Funding of up to AUD10,000 for an international visit and up to AUD6000 for a visit within Australia is available to successful candidates.

3.2. The visit may be between six and 13 weeks in duration.

3.3. Funding for applicants based at Australian universities is available for visits to a CEPAR collaborating, partner or associated institution (see list of CEPAR collaborating, partner and associated institutions in Appendix A). Funding may also be approved for visits to other

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<sup>1</sup> An Early Career Researcher is defined as someone who has been awarded her/his PhD or equivalent research doctorate within five years of the submission date of their application; or received her/his first substantive academic or research appointment within the last five years.

<sup>2</sup> Applications may be made via the *CEPAR Student Nomination Form*

institutions (for example, an institution with which CEPAR may be building collaborative links).

- 3.4. Funding for applicants based at an international partner or associated institution is available only for visits to work with a CI or AI at an Australian CEPAR node i.e., the University of New South Wales, the Australian National University or the University of Sydney. In exceptional circumstances, funding may be provided for visits to other Australian institutions where an Associate Investigator is based.
- 3.5. The applicant should discuss the proposal with their supervisor/mentor at their home institution in the first instance. To be eligible, the application must have the support of their supervisor and have an invitation from the host institution. HDR students must also have made adequate arrangements for supervision at the host institution. All applicants are responsible for ensuring they have appropriate approvals from their home institution (this may involve Head of School approval, Higher Degree Committee approval for HDR students etc).
- 3.6. In cases where similar support schemes are offered by the student's or ECRF's home institution, the applicant must demonstrate that they have sought, or are seeking, funding support under the home institution scheme. Applications for shared funding between the home institution and CEPAR will be considered.

#### **4. Funding rounds and closing dates**

- 4.1. Two rounds will be held annually. Round One closes 30 June each year. Round Two closes 30 November. Out of round applications may be considered subject to budget availability.
- 4.2. Subject to budget availability, a total of up to \$20,000 will be available annually.

#### **5. Applications**

Applications must be made on the attached form and submitted by close of business on the due date. A Microsoft word version of the form is available on the CEPAR website at [cepar.edu.au](http://cepar.edu.au).

#### **6. Allowable budget items**

Funds may be used for the following items:

- return economy flight to the partner or associated university plus transfers.
- internal domestic flights (if approval is granted to visit more than one partner or associated university)
- accommodation
- per diem allowance
- visas
- other related items associated as negotiated with CEPAR.

#### **7. Assessment**

Applications will be assessed by CEPAR on the basis of the strength of the proposal and its alignment with CEPAR's strategic research priorities as well as the potential career development benefits to the applicant.

## **8. Successful applicants**

- 8.1. All applicants will be notified in writing of the outcome of their application within 14 days of the closing date for the round.
- 8.2. Successful applicants will be provided with details about arranging travel and accessing funding.
- 8.3. Within one month of the applicant's return from the visit, the student or ECRF must submit a one page report on the visit. They may also be invited to participate in an interview with the Centre's Communication and Marketing Manager.

## **9. Review**

- 9.1 The program is subject to review at any time.

## **10. Further information**

All enquiries should be directed to Anne Gordon, Director of Operations, CEPAR UNSW node.

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## **Appendix A:**

### **CEPAR Collaboration Organisations**

**University of New South Wales**

**Australian National University**

**University of Sydney**

Please visit [cepar.edu.au](http://cepar.edu.au) for a complete list of Chief and Associate Investigators located at the Collaborating Organisations.

### **CEPAR Australian Associated Institutions**

**School of Psychology, Flinders University**

(Associate Investigator: Tim Windsor)

**School of Primary Health Care, Monash University**

(Associate Investigator: Colette Browning)

**Ageing and the Lifecourse Research Group, Monash University**

(Associate Investigator: Helen Bartlett)

**Research Centre for Gender, Health and Ageing, University of Newcastle**

(Associate Investigator: Julie Byles)

**Centre for Health Economics Research and Evaluation, University of Technology, Sydney**

(Associate Investigator: Elizabeth Savage)

### **CEPAR International Partner and Associated Institutions**

**School of Social Sciences, University of Manchester**

(Partner Investigator: Professor James Nazroo)

**Institute for Ageing and Health, Newcastle University (UK)**

(Partner Investigator: Professor Carol Jagger)

**School of Economics, University of Nottingham**

(Partner Investigator: Professor Richard Disney)

**School of Economics, University of Pennsylvania**

(Partner Investigator: Hanming Fang)

**Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania**

(Partner Investigator: Professor Olivia Mitchell)

**Institute for Economic Research, Hitotsubashi University**

(Associate Investigator: Professor Noriyuki Takayama)

**Gerontology Centre, Pennsylvania State University**

(Associate Investigator: Professor Martin Sliwinski)

**Department of Economics, St Gallen University**

(Associate Investigator: Professor Monika Buetler)

**Ragnar Frisch Centre for Economic Research, University of Oslo**

(Associate Investigator: Professor Erik Hernaes)

**Faculty of Economics, University of Trieste**

(Associate Investigator: Professor Ermanno Pitacco)

**Department of Economics, University of Parma**

(Associate Investigator: Professor Annamaria Olivieri)

**Centre for Studies in Economics and Finance (CSEF), University of Naples Federico II**

(Associate Investigator: Dr Dimitris Christelis)