

CPC Summer Research Scholarship Program

Frequently Asked Questions

Where do I find projects for this scholarship?

Our program is unique in that we do not specify projects. Students are encouraged to come up with their own project based on the Charles Perkins Centre research strategy, often aligned to one of our research [project nodes](#). You must seek your own supervisors and have them agree to support the project. The two supervisors must be from different disciplines.

How do I find a supervisor?

Depending on your area of interest, we suggest you start by exploring our research [project nodes](#) or [research groups](#) to see if any of those areas align with your interests. You could then contact the leader or any of the collaborating team members and ask if they'd be willing to work with you on your project proposal and agree to be on your supervisory team. You will need at least two supervisors from different disciplines.

Do I need to be a USYD student to apply this scholarship?

Yes, you must be currently enrolled in an undergraduate or postgraduate coursework (i.e. masters) program at USYD. Honours students are eligible. If you have a completed or are undertaking a research PhD you are ineligible.

I am currently enrolled but will complete my degree at the end of this year, am I still eligible?

Yes, you are eligible because you are enrolled at the time of application and commencement of project.

Do I need an official academic transcript?

You will need an official transcript if providing from another university; otherwise we will accept your current results/record which you can retrieve from Sydney Student.

Is there a minimum WAM to apply?

There is no minimum WAM however your application will be assessed against all others, and academic merit is one of the measures.

If I am successful, do I have to work on the project full time, 5 days per week?

The project is considered a full-time engagement but how you achieve this is an arrangement you and your supervisors can agree upon together. This can be consecutive weeks or in blocks, so long as you commit to the project for 8 weeks full time (35hr/wk) which equates to 40 days or 280 hours. Successful applicants can commence their projects as soon as they receive an offer.