

RHD candidates who are undertaking projects predominantly within the CHRC and whose principal advisor is a staff member of CHRC are invited to apply for up to a total of \$3,000 per annum pro-rata per candidate to support their research training. Funds are primarily for conference and project related travel, but may also be used for other candidature-related expenses (e.g. a computer, training workshops, lab placements, or access to scientific facilities), as agreed between the candidate and their principal advisor.

## ELIGIBILITY & CONDITIONS – For additional information see Fact Sheet

- All RHD candidates who are undertaking projects predominantly within the CHRC and whose principal advisor is a staff member of CHRC can apply for up to a total of \$3,000 per year to support their research training. PhD students may apply for funding each year for a maximum of three years. MPhil students may apply for funding each year for a maximum of 2 years.
- Students may not concurrently receive RHD support funds from other schools, centres or institutes within UQ
- Funds will not be awarded retrospectively
- As a guide, applications from new candidates will be accepted only once the census date for the research
  quarter of first enrolment has passed. Applications can be made at any time during candidature up until
  thesis submission and subject to maintaining satisfactory progress in accordance with UQ rules, e.g.,
  attainment of milestones. Applications for international conference travel prior to confirmation will only be
  considered with adequate justification.
- Conditions apply to applications submitted in the final stages of candidature: late-stage applications for conference travel will only be considered for students presenting data from their thesis at a conference to be held within 6 months of the application date.
- Any unspent funds will be forfeited at the end of candidature.
- Computers or equipment bought with the money remain the property of the School and must be returned at the end of candidature.

## **TO ACCESS FUNDS**

- Discuss your intended purchase with your principal advisor.
- Complete a single application (including all expenses) for each purchase item or travel event. Requests for additional expenses or requests for total amounts less than \$100 will not be processed.
- Attach the appropriate documentation (in the form of quotes and/or a travel budget spreadsheet).
- Send the completed and endorsed paperwork to the CHRC Finance team mbs.finance@uq.edu.au
- The Finance team will review your applications against eligibility rules and will contact you and your advisor to confirm process for gaining travel approvals and/or purchasing listed items.

## TIMELINE FOR PROCESSING

- Applications for **non-travel** related expenses will take **3 weeks** to process.
- Applications for travel related expenses should be submitted at least 6 weeks prior to any purchase deadlines (such as early bird registration).
- Universities funds cannot be accessed prior to completion of all travel approvals (including Unifi travel approval); processing of late applications cannot be prioritised.
- The student support fund cannot be used to retrospectively reimburse purchases made prior to granting of travel approvals. Reimbursement will only be possible for future purchases made after travel approval has been granted (e.g. local transport expenses included in your budget).



## CHILD HEALTH RESEARCH CENTRE RHD STUDENT SUPPORT FUND GUIDELINES & APPLICATION FORM

1. Candidate's Deta	ils
Candidate's Name	Student Number
Email	
Principal Advisor	
	UQ Connect or student email only – do not use staff or personal email address
Due zue	DLD AADLII -
Program: Enrolment status:	PhD MPhil Part-time Full-time
Linoiment status.	rait-time run-time
2. Proposed Purcha	ses
	osing to purchase multiple items Estimated cost (\$)
Description of purchase	
If requesting to nurcha	ise an item of equipment, I have attached a quote Yes N/A
ii requesting funds to	travel, I have attached a completed travel budget spreadsheet Yes N/A
3. Endorsement	
5. Elidorsement	Date
Candidate signature	Date
	I certify that I have completed this form and travel budget truthfully and correctly.
	I agree to comply with all Support fund rules including submitting applications as per instructions given.
Principal Advisor signature	I certify that the proposed purchase will be beneficial to the applicant's candidature.
	I understand that the support fund cannot be used to reimburse any payments made
	prior to travel/purchase approvals being granted.
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CHRC Finance Office	use only
Eligibility confirmed:	Approved Part Approved Approved up to a limit of:
Comments:	
Finance Team	Approved   Part Approved   Approval amount: