Discovery Indigenous

The *Discovery Indigenous* scheme supports research programs led by Indigenous Australian researchers and builds the research capacity of higher degree research students and early career researchers.

The *Discovery Indigenous* scheme is an integral part of the Australian Research Council’s Discovery Program which supports high quality research, essential to Australia’s innovation system, for the development of new ideas, job creation, economic growth, and an enhanced quality of life in Australia.

The objectives of the *Discovery Indigenous* scheme are to:

- develop the research expertise of Indigenous Australian researchers;
- support fundamental research and research training by Indigenous Australian researchers as individuals and teams;
- support and retain established Indigenous Australian researchers in Australian higher education institutions; and
- expand Australia’s knowledge base and research capability.

The *Discovery Indigenous* scheme provides funding for projects of between $30,000 and $300,000 per year, for three years. A project may include a Discovery Indigenous Award which provides salary support, at one of five salary levels, between $91,740 and $194,272 (including on costs), for an eligible Indigenous Australian researcher.

Project funding may be used for: accessing national and international research and infrastructure facilities; hiring personnel, for example, research associates or assistants and technicians; PhD stipends; supporting eligible Indigenous Australian students; teaching relief; and domestic and international travel.

The *Discovery Indigenous* scheme is part of the National Competitive Grants Program, which is comprised of two sub-programs: Discovery and Linkage. In addition to the *Discovery Indigenous* scheme, the Discovery Program schemes are: *Australian Laureate Fellowships; Discovery Early Career Researcher Award; Discovery Projects; Future Fellowships; and Super Science Fellowships.*

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