

## ***Discovery Projects* for funding commencing in 2008**

### **Fellowships Summary Table**

This document provides a summary of the main conditions and requirements of the various types of fellowships to be funded under the *Discovery Projects* for funding commencing in 2008 (for which proposals close on 2 March 2007). If there is any inconsistency between this summary document and the *Discovery Projects Funding Rules for funding commencing in 2008*, the Funding Rules prevail. Applicants and fellowship candidates should read and understand the Funding Rules and the ARC's draft Funding Agreement before submitting a Proposal to the ARC.

| <b>Fellowship</b>                                       | <b>Qualifications</b>  | <b>Tenure and salary support from ARC</b>                             | <b>Other major requirements*</b>   | <b>Time to be spent on Fellowship</b>   | <b>Preferences which may be given in the selection process</b>  |
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| APD 100% salary support option                          | <p>The candidate must :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• have been awarded a PhD on or after 1 March 2004; or</li> <li>• have been given approval by the ARC, following the submission of an Eligibility Exemption/Ruling Request pursuant to the process outlined in Section 7.1 of the Funding Rules for this round, for the:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. recognition of an equivalent research qualification or experience; and/or</li> <li>ii. relaxation of the qualification and/or timing requirements; or</li> </ol> </li> <li>• be expecting to submit a PhD thesis before the end of 2007 (Note – PhD must be awarded by 30/06/08).</li> </ul> | Up to 3 years @ 100 % ARC-funded salary support and on-costs          | <p>The candidate must not have previously been awarded an ARC Fellowship.</p> <p>A researcher who has held an IRF (or ARC Research Cadetship-Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Award) may apply for an APD only during or after the final year of her/his IRF/Research Cadetship.</p> <p>The requirements of Section 3.6 must be satisfied regarding limits on number of Proposals/projects.</p> | Full-time   | Preference may be given to Fellowship candidates who intend to move to an organisation other than the one where their PhD was obtained and/or who have had research experience at more than one organisation. |
| APD 75/25 salary support option - research and teaching | As above.  | Up to 4 years funded 75% by ARC and 25% by Administering Organisation | As above   | 75% work on the project outlined in the Proposal. 25% on other activities such as teaching. | As above  |

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| ARF/QEII, providing the Fellowship candidate has not previously been awarded an ARF/QEII. | <p>The candidate must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• have not more than 8 years' professional experience since the award of her/his PhD; or</li> <li>• have been given approval by the ARC, following the submission of an Eligibility Exemption/Ruling Request pursuant to the process outlined in Section 7.1 of the Funding Rules for this round, for the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. recognition of an equivalent research qualification or experience; and/or</li> <li>ii. relaxation of the qualification and/or timing requirements.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <p>Salary and on-costs funded by the ARC at 100% or 50% for up to 5 years.</p> <p>If salary and on-costs are funded by the ARC at 50%, this must at least be matched by the Administering Organisation.</p> <p>The level of appointment (as ARF or QEII) is at the ARC's discretion.</p> | <p>The candidate (and Proposal) must satisfy the requirements of Section 3.6 regarding limits on number of Proposals/projects.</p> <p>Existing APD, APDI or APDC fellows may be nominated only in or after the final year of their fellowship.</p> <p>A Fellowship candidate who is awarded a 100% ARC-funded ARF/QEII, must resign any existing continuing position before the Funding Agreement is executed.</p> | Full-time                      | <p>Preference may be given to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ARF candidates who are Australian citizens and permanent residents. Non-resident or non-Australian citizen researchers will need to demonstrate a higher level of performance than other ARF candidates or be able to offer special expertise, extensive skills or exceptionally high performance levels not available locally and of benefit to Australian research;</li> <li>- ARF and QEII candidates who have not previously been awarded an ARF/QEII;</li> <li>- ARF and QEII candidates who intend to move to an organisation other than the one where their PhD was obtained and/or who have had research experience at more than one organisation.</li> </ul> <p>For QEII candidates, citizenship is not a consideration in the assessment of the award of the Fellowship.</p> |

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| ARF/QEII, if the candidate holds a current ARF/QEII Fellowship or has been awarded one in the past | <p>The candidate must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• have not more than 13 years' professional experience since the award of her/his PhD; or</li> <li>• have been given approval by the ARC, following the submission of an Eligibility Exemption/Ruling Request pursuant to the process outlined in Section 7.1 of the Funding Rules for this round, for the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. recognition of an equivalent research qualification or experience; and/or</li> <li>ii. relaxation of the qualification and/or timing requirements.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <p>ARC to provide 50% of the notional Fellowship salary plus pro rata on-costs. This must at least be matched by the Administering Organisation.</p> <p>The level of appointment (as ARF or QEII) is at the ARC's discretion</p> | <p>The continuation after 31 December 2007 candidate must have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• completed the previous ARF/QEII or;</li> <li>• be in the 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> year of an existing ARF/QEII and have agreed with the existing Administering Organisation to relinquish salary-related funding associated with the existing fellowship per subsection 5.5.5.3d of the Funding Rules for this round (plus refer to subsection 5.5.5.4).</li> </ul> <p>The candidate (and Proposal) must satisfy the requirements of Section 3.6 regarding limits on number of Proposals/projects – taking into account proposed relinquished Fellowships for those seeking a subsequent ARF/QEII.</p> | Full-time                      | <p>Preference may be given to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ARF candidates who are Australian citizens and permanent residents. Non-resident or non-Australian citizen researchers will need to demonstrate a higher level of performance than other ARF candidates or be able to offer special expertise, extensive skills or exceptionally high performance levels not available locally and of benefit to Australian research;</li> <li>- ARF and QEII candidates who have not previously been awarded an ARF/QEII;</li> <li>- ARF and QEII candidates who intend to move to an organisation other than the one where their PhD was obtained and/or who have had research experience at more than one organisation.</li> </ul> <p>For QEII candidates, citizenship is not a consideration in the assessment of the award of the Fellowship.</p> |

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| <p>APF, providing the Fellowship candidate has not previously held an APF.</p> | <p>From the closing time for the submission of Proposals, the candidate must have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• been awarded a PhD; or</li> <li>• been given approval by the ARC, following the submission of an Eligibility Exemption/Ruling Request pursuant to the process outlined in Section 7.1 of the Funding Rules for this round, for the recognition of a qualification or experience equivalent to a PhD.</li> </ul> | <p>Up to 5 years @ 100% - providing they do not hold a continuing position at a professorial or equivalent level(s) at an Eligible Organisation listed in Appendix 2, Item 1 of the Funding Rules for this round.</p> <p>Up to 5 years with ARC to provide 50% of the notional Fellowship salary plus pro rata on-costs. This must at least be matched by the Fellow's Administering Organisation.</p> | <p>The candidate must not hold a continuing <u>research-only</u> position at a professorial level or equivalent at an Eligible Organisation listed in Appendix 2, Item 1 of the Funding Rules for this round.</p> <p>If the candidate is a current APD, APDI or APDC, ARF, or QEII Fellow they must be in the final year of their Fellowship.</p> <p>The candidate (and Proposal) must satisfy the requirements of Section 3.6 regarding limits on number of Proposals/projects.</p> | <p>Full-time.</p>              | <p>Preference may be given to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- APF candidates who have not previously been awarded an APF.</li> <li>- Australian citizens and permanent residents.</li> </ul> |

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| APF, if the candidate has previously held an APF or equivalent. | As above       | ARC to provide 50% of the notional Fellowship salary plus pro rata on-costs. This must at least be matched by the Fellow's Administering Organisation. | <p>The candidate must not hold a continuing <u>research-only</u> position at a professorial level or equivalent at an Eligible Organisation listed in Appendix 2, Item 1 of the Funding Rules for this round.</p> <p>The candidate must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• have completed the previous APF; or</li> <li>• be in the 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> year of an existing APF and have agreed with the existing Administering Organisation to relinquish salary-related funding associated with the existing fellowship per subsection 5.5.5.6.2.d of the Funding Rules for this round (plus refer to subsection 5.5.6.3).</li> </ul> <p>The candidate (and Proposal) must satisfy the requirements of Section 3.6 regarding limits on number of Proposals/projects – taking into account proposed relinquished Fellowships for those seeking a subsequent APF.</p> | Full-time.                     | <p>Preference may be given to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– APF candidates who have not previously been awarded an APF.</li> <li>– Australian citizens and permanent residents.</li> </ul> |

\* Note: The list of other major requirements is not the complete list of requirements. Please refer to the *Discovery Projects Funding Rules for funding commencing in 2008* for more information.