

***Discovery Projects* for funding commencing in 2011 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* scheme for funding commencing in 2011 (for which proposals close on 3 March 2010). If there is any inconsistency between this summary document and the *Discovery Projects Funding Rules for funding commencing in 2011*, 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.

Fellowship	Qualifications	Tenure and salary support from ARC	Other major requirements*	Time to be spent on Fellowship	Preferences which may be given in the selection process
APD 100% salary support option	<p>The candidate must :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have been awarded a PhD on or after 3 March 2007; or • have been given approval by the ARC, following the submission of an Eligibility Exemption Request pursuant to the process outlined in Section 10.1 of the Funding Rules for this round, for the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. recognition of an equivalent research qualification or experience; and/or ii. relaxation of the qualification and/or timing requirements; <p>Irrespective of this condition, applications for the relaxation of the timing will not occur if the applicant was awarded their PhD 10 or more years ago; or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be expecting to submit a PhD thesis before the end of 2010 (Note – PhD must be awarded by 30/06/11). 	3 years. Salary and on-costs funded by the ARC at 100%.	<p>The candidate must not have previously been awarded an ARC Fellowship.</p> <p>A researcher who has held an IRF may apply for an APD only during or after the final year of her/his IRF.</p> <p>The requirements of Section 6.6 must be satisfied regarding limits on number of Proposals/projects.</p>	Full-time	Preference may be given to APD 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.	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
APD 75% salary support option	As above	4 years funded 75% by ARC	As above	75% work on the project outlined in the Proposal. 25% on non-remunerated activities.	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"> • have not more than 8 years' professional experience since the award of her/his PhD; or • have been given approval by the ARC, following the submission of an Eligibility Exemption Request pursuant to the process outlined in Section 10.1 of the Funding Rules for this round, for the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. recognition of an equivalent research qualification or experience; and/or ii. relaxation of the qualification and/or timing requirements. <p>Irrespective of this condition, applications for the relaxation of the timing for professional experience for ARF/QEII's will not be approved if the applicant is seeking a relaxation of time beyond 15 years for the first ARF/QEII.</p>	<p>5 years. Salary and on-costs funded by the ARC at 100% or 50%.</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 6.6 regarding limits on number of Proposals/projects.</p> <p>Existing APD or APDI Fellows may be nominated only in or after the final year of their fellowship.</p>	Full-time	<p>Preference may be given to ARF and QEII candidates who have not previously been awarded an ARF/QEII.</p> <p>Preference may be given to ARF/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.</p>
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"> • have not more than 13 years' professional experience since the award of her/his PhD; or • have been given approval by the ARC, following the submission of an Eligibility Exemption Request pursuant to the process outlined in Section 10.1 of the Funding Rules for this round, for the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. recognition of an equivalent research qualification or experience; and/or ii. relaxation of the qualification and/or timing requirements. <p>Irrespective of this condition, applications for the relaxation of the timing for professional experience for ARF/QEII's will not be approved if the applicant is seeking a relaxation of time beyond 20 years for the second ARF/QEII.</p>	<p>5 years. 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 2010 candidate must have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • completed the previous ARF/QEII or; • be in the 4th or 5th 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 8.8.5(b) of the Funding Rules for this round. <p>The candidate (and Proposal) must satisfy the requirements of Section 6.6 regarding limits on number of Proposals/projects – taking into account proposed relinquished Fellowships for those seeking a subsequent ARF/QEII.</p>	Full-time	As above.

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APF, providing the Fellowship candidate has not previously held an APF.	<p>From the closing time for the submission of Proposals, the candidate must have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • been awarded a PhD; or • been given approval by the ARC, following the submission of an Eligibility Exemption Request pursuant to the process outlined in Section 10.1 of the Funding Rules for this round, for the recognition of a qualification or experience equivalent to a PhD. 	<p>5 years. Salary and on-costs funded by the ARC at 100% or 50%.</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 candidate must not hold a continuing <u>research-only</u> position as a Professor or equivalent at an Eligible Organisation listed in Appendix C subsections C1.1 and C1.2 of the Funding Rules for this round.</p> <p>If the candidate holds an existing ARC Fellowship or Federation Fellowship, he/she must be in the final or penultimate year of her/his Fellowship and have agreed with the existing Administering Organisation to relinquish salary-related funding associated with the existing fellowship per subsection 8.9.4(b) of the Funding Rules for this round (plus refer to subsection 8.9.5).</p> <p>If seeking a 100% ARC-funded APF, the candidate must have held an ARF/QEII or a fellowship of similar status awarded on a competitive basis, or be proposing to move employment to an organisation specified in Appendix C subsections C1.1 and C1.2 from an organisation which is not specified in Appendix C subsections C1.1 and C1.2.</p> <p>In certain instances, candidates who have experienced exceptional circumstances that have precluded them from having been able to meet the requirement above may submit an Eligibility Exemption request (refer to subsection 8.9.9)</p> <p>The candidate (and Proposal) must satisfy the requirements of Section 6.6 regarding limits on number of Proposals/projects.</p>	Full-time	Preference may be given to APF candidates who have not previously been awarded an APF, a Federation Fellow or an Australian Laureate Fellow.
APF, if the candidate has previously held an APF or equivalent.	As above	<p>5 years. 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 as a Professor or equivalent at an Eligible Organisation listed in Appendix C subsections C1.1 and C1.2 of the Funding Rules for this round.</p> <p>The candidate must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have completed the previous APF; or • be in the final or penultimate year of an existing ARC Fellowship or Federation Fellowship and have agreed with the existing Administering Organisation to relinquish salary-related funding associated with the existing fellowship per subsection 8.9.4(b) of the Funding Rules for this round (plus refer to subsection 8.9.5). <p>The candidate (and Proposal) must satisfy the requirements of Section 6.6 regarding limits on number of Proposals/projects – taking into account proposed relinquished Fellowships for those seeking a subsequent APF.</p>	Full-time	None

* 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 2011* for more information.