

Student Equity in Higher Education Research Grants Program 2015

Proposal Coversheet

	(Applicant to complete this column)
Proposal title No more than 10 words	
Organisation details Name and address of the organisation/s submitting the proposal	
Contact details Name, title, address and contact numbers (phone, fax, email) of the person NCSEHE should contact in relation to the proposal	
Researcher(s) - Name and organisation 1. Chief investigator 2. Other investigators	
Funding requested (excluding GST)	
Is this project part of any other program or initiative for which you have received funding?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
Australian Business Number (ABN)	
Is this organisation registered for GST?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

Proposal

Please note:

Your proposal should not exceed 8 pages.
Please use 11-point Arial font, and do not change the margin sizes.
Refer to **Section 2: Guidelines for proposals** in the **Instructions for applicants**

1. Project Abstract (100 words or less)

2. Please indicate with an X: (a) Equity Groups; (b) Research Priority Area (More than one category possible)

Targeted Equity Groups

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students
- Low SES students
- Students with Disability
- Students from regional and remote Australia
- Students from Non-English speaking backgrounds
- Women in non-traditional areas
- Other (please specify) _____

Research Priority Area (see Section 1.2 of the Instruction for Applicants for a full description)

1. Attraction, retention and performance of higher education students with disability.
2. Attraction, retention and performance of higher education students from regional and remote areas.
3. Evaluation of innovative equity initiatives with the potential for wider application across the higher education sector. Working with equity practitioners is encouraged.
4. The impact of non-university private and not-for-profit providers on access and participation for targeted equity groups.
5. Sub-degree programs and their role in promoting student equity in higher education for targeted equity groups.
6. Scholarships as a means of addressing student equity.
7. Inter-state and/or international comparative analysis of student equity issues and performance.

Research Approach

1. Innovative use of data sources.
2. Comparative.
3. Interdisciplinary.

3. Outline research project and intended purpose and outcomes

4. Research Project Details

(a) Key research topics and question to be addressed

(b) Methodology (including data sources)

(c) Timeframe (including milestones)

(d) Deliverables – products and outputs
(including any dissemination or promotional activities)

5. Research experience and expertise

6. Organisation details

7. Quality assurance and project management

8. Risk management

Category	Risk	Likelihood*	Impact*	Management strategies
Staff	Possible loss of key researchers (including proposed leave or secondment arrangements, other work commitments)			
Project management & coordination	Lack of communication across research teams and with NCSEHE			
Methodology	Survey development/clearance, sample identification and response rates			
	<i>Others as identified</i>			
Adherence to timelines				
<i>Others as identified</i>				

* Categorise as high (H), medium (M) or low (L)

9. Budget

Please insert additional line items if applicable to the proposal. Please specify funding requested from NCSEHE separate from any in-kind contributions.

It is anticipated that grants will be for amounts up to AUD \$30,000 (excluding GST), although other amounts may be considered.

Please note that in view of the equity focus of the research, Curtin University has waived normal overhead costs for the NCSEHE and would welcome a similar commitment from applicants.

Costs for the life of the program (AUD)			
Budget item	Number of days	Daily Rate (excl GST)	Amount (excl GST)
Chief researcher			
Other research staff			
Other			
Clerical/other support staff			
Quality assurance cost (<i>please specify</i>)			
Data extraction/gathering			
Survey technical report			
Other cost			
Sub-total (excluding GST)			
GST			
Total (including GST)			

Appendices

1 page résumé and referees per individual researcher.

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