

**VU Research Candidature Budgets
2018 and 2019 Commencing Students Higher Degree by Research Students**

VU Research has confirmed the budgets for Commencing Students in 2018 and 2019 in all higher degrees by research. The budgets set out in Table 1 recognise the differences in the nature of the research among the disciplines, such as the requirements for chemicals, reagents, equipment/infrastructure. Budgets apply to all commencing students in 2018 and 2019. The budgets will be reviewed no later than December 2019 of which the result of the review will apply to all commencing students in 2020 and 2021.

All VU Research Candidature Support is provided by the candidate's enrolling Flagship Institution. In addition to the funding below, candidates may apply for funding from a VU Research Strategic HDR Fund to be established in 2018.

Table 1: VU Research Candidature Support

Disciplinary Area of Study and Degree Level	Maximum Candidature Budget	Contributions to *Professional Development Activities
Standard-cost Area of Study PhD	\$2000	\$1300
Standard-cost Area of Study PhD in the following disciplinary areas - <i>Applied Mathematics; Artificial Intelligence & Image Processing; Distributed Computing; Information Systems; Nursing; Social Work.</i>	\$4000	\$1300
High-cost Area of Study PhD	\$4700	\$1300
High-cost Area of Study PhD in the following disciplinary areas - <i>Biochemistry & Cell Biology; Human Movement and Sports Science Food Sciences; Medical Physiology; Public Health & Health Services.</i>	\$9400	\$1300
Standard-cost Area of Study Masters by Research	\$1000	\$700
Standard-cost Area of Study Masters by Research following disciplinary areas - <i>Applied Mathematics; Artificial Intelligence & Image Processing; Distributed Computing; Information Systems; Nursing; Social Work.</i>	\$2000	\$700
High-cost Area of Study Masters by Research	\$2350	\$700
High-cost Area of Study Masters by Research in the following disciplinary areas - <i>Biochemistry & Cell Biology; Human Movement and Sports Science Food Sciences; Medical Physiology; Public Health & Health Services.</i>	\$4700	\$700
Process for accessing funding	Subject to approval via Application for Confirmation of Candidature	Subject to approval from Flagship Institute on a merit basis.
Availability of approved funds	Post Confirmation of Candidature and up until earlier of maximum degree duration or submission of thesis.	Post Confirmation of Candidature and up until earlier of maximum degree duration or submission of thesis.
Conditions	Subject to satisfactory achievement of Candidature.	Subject to satisfactory achievement in Candidature/Milestone Review(s).

*Professional Development Activities include: Conference attendance including travel, accommodation and registration; and Specialist training: registration, and associated travel and accommodation.

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