

2024 WISA Award Application

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Women in Science Academic (WISA) Award

Introduction

The Women in Science Academic (WISA) Award is for outstanding research and education contributions in the maths and physical sciences, or environmental and health sciences in addition to emerging leadership and outreach contributions.

The Faculty of Science aspires to be a leader for gender equity in the higher education sector. One of the most significant challenges for gender equity in this sector is significant attrition of women within the early career stages, leading to low participation of women in senior levels of academia. The Women in Science Academic (WISA) Award aims to address this issue by highlighting two amazing early (ECA) or mid-career (MCA) academics each year and providing them with resources to further their career. The Faculty of Science WISER Award is a targeted award for women who have excelled in their chosen research and education activities but have also given back to their communities through outreach or educational activities. There will be two awards each year, one for academics working in Maths and Physical Sciences and the other for academics in the Environmental and Health Sciences. Trans women are eligible and encouraged to apply.

Overview

Women in Science Academic (WISA): Please ensure that you have read and understood the [Grant Scheme Funding Guidelines](#).

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Manually save your work as you progress through the application.

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Performance Relative to Opportunity

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Do you wish your application to be considered with respect to Performance Relative to Opportunity (PRO)?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

Please outline your case (max 5000 characters). Consideration of PRO facilitates positive acknowledgement of what has been achieved by academic staff given the opportunities available. Personal circumstances relevant in assessing PRO include care relationships, medical conditions and part-time and flexible working arrangements. Relevant career interruptions include parental leave and extended sick leave. Relevant leave of absence may include leave authorised to enable an academic to undertake an industry secondment or similar career development activity outside the academy. Other circumstances may include natural disasters (such as the Australian bushfires in 2019-2020), global health issues (such as the COVID-19 pandemic) and emergency situations with significant or longer-term impacts.

Must be no more than 5000 characters.

Applicant Details

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Applicant Details

Applicant Name *

Title First Name Last Name

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Pronouns *

Gender *

Please provide pronouns if 'Other'.

Do you identify as Aboriginal or Torres Straits Islander? *

School *

- ☐ Agriculture, Food and Ecosystem Sciences
☐ BioSciences
☐ Chemistry
☐ Geography, Earth and Atmospheric Sciences
☐ Mathematics & Statistics
☐ Melbourne Veterinary School

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☐ Physics

Staff ID *

Position *

Supervisor *

Title First Name Last Name

Employment Category *

Classification *

- ☐ Level A
☐ Level B
☐ Level C

Employment Type *

FTE commitment for your current role *

(Full-time = 1.0, part-time = above 0.5). To be eligible for this Award you must hold an academic appointment in the Faculty of Science of 0.5FTE or greater, until June 30th 2024.

If fixed-term, please specify your contract end date:

Must be a date.

You can refer to Themis UOM Staff Self Service

ORCID ID

All participants applying for grants are encouraged to have a persistent digital identifier such as an Open Researcher and Contributor Identifier (ORCID ID). You can register for an ORCID ID here: <https://orcid.org/>

Eligibility Criteria

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I identify as a woman *

- ☐ Yes

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I hold a PhD or equivalent experience *

☐ Yes

I completed my PhD (or equivalent research training) 3-10 years ago *

☐ Yes

PhD Award Date

Must be a date.

Any time taken away from work (either full or part-time) will be subtracted from total time since PhD. Please specify these time frames:

I have research expertise in either Math and Physical Science or Environmental and Health Sciences *

☐ Yes

I have a track record of success in contributing to outreach activities that highlight Science, women in STEM or other related activities *

☐ Yes

Briefly list your previous contribution to student outreach and/or community education that highlight science, women in STEM or other related areas. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 100 words.

Willingness to contribute to outreach activities during the year of award, including promoting research to high school and undergraduate students *

☐ Yes

Project Details

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Explain the impact of your academic work (both research and education), including evidence of academic significance as well as outcomes influencing society more broadly. *

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

Project Title *

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The WISA Award program aims to engage with community to promote STEM education and research. Thus an aptitude for Science communication will be an important skill. Please outline your project aims & objectives using general scientific language that will be accessible to a broad audience. In this section please identify: How will this project develop your own independent academic program including any new collaborations with industry, academia or community groups. Any relevant publications or previous work (including unpublished work) to support the academic directions. *

Word count:
Must be no more than 1000 words.

How will the WISA Award contribute to building your career and advancing your academic profile and impact? *

Word count:
Must be no more than 250 words.

Why do you feel that student outreach and community education is an important element of the work that we do within the Faculty? Please highlight your ongoing commitment to outreach activities. *

Word count:
Must be no more than 300 words.

Budget

* indicates a required field

Total Amount Requested for Project *

\$

Must be a dollar amount.
What is the total financial support you are requesting in this application?

Budget Items

How will the amount requested above be expended? Total amount should not exceed \$25,000.

Expenditure	\$
	\$

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	\$
	\$

Budget Totals

Total Project Cost (calculated from above)

\$

This number/amount is calculated.
What is the total budgeted cost (dollars) of your project?

Budget Justification

Provide a clear justification for your budget, demonstrating that the funding requested is essential to the academic project.

Curriculum Vitae and Academic Outputs

* indicates a required field

This section should be no longer than three (3) A4 pages in length in the final generated PDF (you can generate the PDF at any time using the buttons above to check). Where appropriate, all details should be listed in reverse chronological order.

i. Full details of education, postgraduate training, present and past appointments

ii. Seminar/conference presentations (details of conference, indicate if invited talk, selected for oral, or poster presentation) *

iii. Details of awards or prizes (include \$ amount, where applicable)

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iv. Details of any postgraduate and undergraduate teaching and supervision (including demonstrating, tutor roles or co-supervision of students) *

v. Administrative responsibilities, including laboratory, departmental, faculty/school and institutional

vi. Leadership and service activities related to scientific discipline or the University of Melbourne (e.g. membership of societies and committees, peer review experience, administrative responsibilities)

vii. Community engagement activities

viii. Statement of career aspirations for the next five years *

Academic Outputs

List your academic outputs, using the following subheadings:

- Journal articles - original refereed
- Journal articles - accepted but not published
- Reviews
- Books, chapters and monographs
- Full published conference proceedings
- Patents
- Other publications

Note:

- *Include full academic references for each item.*

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- For multi-author publications, indicate your contribution level.
- For accepted papers - clearly identify as accepted or in-press and provide acceptance date (month/year).
- Do not list works submitted, under review or in preparation.
- Do not include conference abstracts.
- Other publications may include popular articles, periodicals, submissions to government reviews, policies.

i Please list your academic outputs, as described above. *

ii. Please provide a brief summary describing the common publishing practices in your field, particularly concerning how your field assesses academic and publication quality *

iii. Please list your three best academic outputs with brief summaries outlining your contribution and the impact they have made in your field *

Submission Declaration

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My application and FTE commitment to this project is supported by my supervisor and Head of School *

☐ Yes

I certify that all details given on this application are correct.

☐ Yes

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