



# Macquarie University – University of Groningen

## Strategic Partner Framework Travel Grants

### RESEARCH STUDENT TRAVEL GRANTS

- \$2,500 AUD for travel and accommodation expenses
  - available to eligible MQ students for travel to the University of Groningen from Sydney
  - to be used in accordance with MQ travel policy and the grant funding rules
  - funding is provided from the MQ Graduate Research Academy budget
  - scheme opens on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of October 2023
  - visit to be undertaken between 1<sup>st</sup> January and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024
  - closing deadline for applications is **5 pm on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023**
  - outcomes announced end of November 2023.
- The objective of the scheme is to strengthen research collaboration between Macquarie and the University of Groningen and increase participation in dual PhD degrees between the two universities.

- Eligible applicants:
  - students enrolled in a BPhil/MRes, or
  - students who have an offer for PhD entry, or
  - students in the first 6 months of their PhD at the time of travel
- Applicants must:
  - Directly, or through their current/proposed MQ supervisor, have an existing link or promising opportunity to establish a link with the University of Groningen
  - demonstrate that their visit will be linked to their area of research interest and expertise
  - demonstrate that their research will directly benefit from the visit and/or are planning to enroll in a dual degree PhD program with University of Groningen
  - commit to visit the University of Groningen for at least 2 weeks.
- Application must include:
  - CV (maximum 2 pages)
  - Academic transcript (from eStudent)
  - Field of research interest (maximum 50 words)
  - Research topic(s) (maximum 100 words)
  - MQ University Supervisor name/s
  - University of Groningen Supervisor name/s (must seek input from your MQ supervisor)
  - Motivational statement and academic aim beyond your proposed visit (200 words maximum)
  - Letter or email stating support from MQ and University of Groningen supervisors (maximum 200 words each)
  - Period of stay as agreed by host and home university supervisors – provide dates.
- Submit applications by email to [gr.international@mq.edu.au](mailto:gr.international@mq.edu.au) **by the closing deadline.**

For more information and the application procedure please contact Rahel Cramer, Strategic Programs Coordinator (International) via [gr.international@mq.edu](mailto:gr.international@mq.edu).

## ACADEMIC STAFF TRAVEL GRANTS

- \$5,000 AUD
  - available to MQ academics for travel to University of Groningen from Sydney
  - to be used in accordance with MQ travel policy and the grant funding rules
  - funding is provided from the MQ Graduate Research Academy budget
  - scheme opens on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of October 2023
  - visit to be undertaken between 1<sup>st</sup> January and 31<sup>st</sup> December 2024
  - closing deadline for applications is **5 pm on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2023**
  - outcomes announced end of November 2023.
- The objective of the scheme is to increase participation of MQ and University of Groningen PhD candidates in dual PhD degrees through the strengthening of the research collaboration between the two universities.
- Applicants must:
  - have a record of research collaboration with University of Groningen, OR have a



record of research engagement, OR be able to demonstrate opportunity for collaboration in areas of existing or emerging strengths.

- commit to engage in collaborative research activities with researchers from University of Groningen that result in co-supervision of a dual degree PhD student / multiple dual degree PhD students.
  - conduct activities during their visit which would lead to the co-supervision of dual degree PhD candidate.
  - be open to engaging with graduate students (talks, workshops, meetings with potential PhD candidates) during their visit.
  - Commit to promoting the dual PhD program and MRes Exchange program to students and academics at The University of Groningen and at Macquarie University.
  - commit to spending no less than 5 working days at the University of Groningen.
- Desirable:
    - The proposal for collaboration may include additional research activities, for example: co-publications, application for competitive research funding, organization and hosting of a joint workshop, summer school, etc.
  - Application must include:
    - CV
    - Collaboration/ engagement history or opportunity (max. 200 words)
    - Plan for establishment of PhD projects and recruitment into dual PhD degrees (max. 200 words)
    - Activities to be developed during the visit and after the visit (max. 200 words)
    - Expected outcomes (max. 200 words)
  - Submit applications by email to [gr.international@mq.edu.au](mailto:gr.international@mq.edu.au) **by the closing deadline**. A PURE record will be set up by the Strategic Programs Team.

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