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The Fenner School of Environment & Society Indigenous Fellowship

The Fenner School of Environment & Society Indigenous Fellowship scheme was established in 2023 as a strategic activity. This supports the ANU Strategic Plan in relation to the partnering with Australia's Indigenous peoples to in our teaching and research.

The Fellowship is open to all First Nations researchers, practitioners, community leaders, entrepreneurs and thinkers who want to engage with cross-disciplinary environmental and sustainability research, education and policy-relevant advice.

Purpose

The Fenner School of Environment & Society Indigenous Fellowship aims to allow the recipient to:

- build Indigenous ways of thinking, being and doing into the ANU Fenner School of Environment & Society course structure, curriculum development and delivery.
- foster interdisciplinary collaboration and partnerships that support Indigenous projects and enterprises.
- to critically address existing traditions, norms and values in environmental and sustainability research, education and policy.

This is an opportunity to help shape the conversations in honouring Indigenous knowledge in environmental and sustainability research, education, and policy-relevant advice at ANU and in Australia.

Eligibility

This is an identified opportunity. All First Nations peoples are welcome to apply, with a strong preference for applicants who identify as Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander. International First Nations applicants who are not Australian residents are welcome to apply, however special conditions may apply.

The Fellowship offers

Fellowships are offered in the following two categories:

Category 1: Visiting Residential Fellowships (with grant)

Category 2: Visiting Non-Residential Fellowships (with grant)

The Fellowship is up to \$25,000, which is intended to cover accommodation, travel, living expenses and material costs. Funds must be spent in the year the Fellowship is undertaken and funds will not be carried forward into the following year. Depending on the area of practice and individual requirements, the Fellowship will offer study or studio facilities at the University to the recipient. In some cases, these may need to be shared in some form with other practitioners.

In-kind support or other assistance may be available from the University for the public programs in which the Fellow is involved: e.g., performances, exhibitions, seminars, public meetings, or workshops. Depending upon the financial requirements of the selected Fellow, a second Fellowship, for a reduced tenure period, may be awarded.

Application Process

1. The Executive actively consults widely with the School seeking interest from its staff to nominate appropriate fellows for the Fellowship. Applications are welcome throughout the year.
2. Written nominations should be submitted by the nominating academic in consultation with and on behalf of the nominated person

Proposals to be developed by the nominator must include the following:

- Personal information about the Fellow (including supporting information, such as CV or other materials)
- Indicate the contact person (nominator) who agrees to undertake the organisational responsibilities in hosting the Fellowship with the Fenner School of Environment & Society
- Describe the facilities available and academic colleagues who may be involved with the Fellow (cross-University collaboration encouraged)
- Indicate the extent of interaction with the University community and any other connections expected to be made
- Outline the proposed program and its duration
- Outline of the budget proposed (accommodation, travel, living expenses, material costs)
- Provide an indication of the likely developments or outcomes of the residency, including legacy contributions to the ANU and Community

Selection process

The Fenner School of Environment & Society Indigenous Fellowship is administered by the Fenner School of Environment & Society and managed by the School Executive. This Committee is chaired by the Director. Independent experts may also be consulted.

Selection Criteria

Fellowship proposals will be assessed by the School Executive in terms of:

- 1. Impact and Innovation:**
Potential for fostering interdisciplinary collaboration, innovation, and tangible outcomes promoting Indigenous perspectives and values in environmental research, education, and policy.
- 2. Engagement and Collaboration:**
Ability and plans for engaging with the School, University and broader community, promoting collaboration and knowledge exchange.
- 3. Feasibility and Sustainability:**
Feasibility of proposed activities, including budget, resources, and sustainability of outcomes beyond the fellowship period.

Upon selection the fellowship process will follow the ANU Academic titles conferral policy.

Applications must be sent to:

Attention: Executive Assistant to the Director
Fenner School of Environment & Society
141 Linnaeus Way

For further information please contact:

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An acknowledgement of receipt of the nomination will be sent to the Fellow and the Nominator.