## IKI Research Theme Grants

The Indigenous Knowledge Institute (IKI) **Research Theme grant scheme** supports integrated two-year programs of Theme-based interdisciplinary research that focus on Indigenous knowledge. Each Theme will be directed with a Theme Leader at 0.1 FTE, who will be selected for appointment through this application process.

IKI invites proposals from prospective Theme Leaders for innovative and interdisciplinary research Theme programs that address an identified need or gap in Indigenous knowledge research. Proposed Themes should align with one or more IKI research priority areas:

* Country — Indigenous knowledge of sustaining environments and living ecologies
* Law — Indigenous knowledge in maintaining law, governance, and social cohesion
* Culture — Indigenous knowledge as applied through culture and creative expressions
* Futures — translating Indigenous knowledge for new applications

The proposed Theme must be structured as an integrated interdisciplinary program of research that may include a suite of aligned activities including workshops, seed funding schemes, casual and fixed-term appointments, equipment purchases, research translation and publication costs, and travel costs.

Successful applications under this scheme will include a 0.1 FTE salary contribution for the Theme Leader and additional program funding of up to $50,000 per year for two years. Theme Leaders will have central IKI support in delivering agreed activities aligned with IKI research and events priorities.

Applications must also include a minimum of three additional CIs from the University of Melbourne who provide interdisciplinary expertise, and one Partner Organisation.

*Before completing this application form, please ensure you have read and understood the 2021 IKI Research Theme* *grant scheme guidelines.*

Applications open **Monday, 30 August 2021.**

Applications close **COB Monday, 1 November 2021.** You will need to submit the application form to IKI at [Indigenous-knowledge@unimelb.edu.au](mailto:Indigenous-knowledge@unimelb.edu.au).

## IKI RESEARCH THEME GRANTS APPLICATION FORM

**PART A. Applicant Details**

**A1. Theme Title** *(10 words maximum)*

**A2. Lead Participant Details**

**Theme Leader at 0.1 FTE**

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| **Title** |  | **Given name** |  | **Surname/ Family name** |  |
| **Position** | |  | | **Existing FTE** *0.2 minimum* |  |
| **Academic Level and Step** | |  | | | |
| **Faculty/School** | |  | | | |
| **Email address** | |  | | | |

**A3. Other Participant Details** *(Add additional rows as needed.)*

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| **Title/Name** *Dr Jane Applicant* | **Participant type** *Chief Investigator, Research Associate, Research Assistant, or Partner Investigator* | **Organisation**  *Three additional University of Melbourne CIs are required.* |
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**A4. Partner OrganisationDetails***Name all confirmed Partner Organisations contributing to the program. One Partner Organisation is required.*

**A5. Application Summary**  
*Provide a brief Application Summary focusing on the Aims, Significance, expected Outcomes, and Benefits of this program. Write the Application Summary simply, clearly, and in plain English. If the application is successful, the Application Summary will be used on the IKI website, Twitter, and promotional materials. (Approximately 100 words)*

*Aims*

*Significance*

*Outcomes*

*Benefit*

**A6. How does this program relate to IKI research priorities?** *(Select all that apply.)*

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|  | Country — Indigenous knowledge of sustaining environments and living ecologies |
|  | Law — Indigenous knowledge in maintaining law, governance, and social cohesion |
|  | Culture — Indigenous knowledge as applied through culture and creative expressions |
|  | Futures — translating Indigenous knowledge for new applications |

**PART B. International collaborations**

**B1. Does the proposed research involve international collaboration?**

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|  | Yes |
|  | No |

*If you select, ‘Yes’ please answer the following two questions.*

**B2. What is the nature of the proposed international collaboration activities?** *(optional)*

*Select all options from the list which apply to this application.*

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|  | *Correspondence eg. Email, telephone; or video conference* |
|  | *Face to face meetings* |
|  | *Attendance at and/ or hosting of workshop or conference* |
|  | *Collaborative fieldwork* |
|  | *Hosting international collaborator — short term (less than 4 weeks)* |
|  | *Hosting international collaboration — long term (more than 4 weeks)* |
|  | *Travel to international collaborator — short term (less than 4 weeks)* |
|  | *Travel to international collaboration — long term (more than 4 weeks)* |

**B3. If the proposed research involves international collaboration, specify each country involved.** *(optional)*

*Note that Australia is not to be listed.*

**PART C. Program Details**

**C1. Program Description and Aims**

*Upload a Program Description as detailed in the scheme guidelines. Ensure that the Program Description responds to the Assessment Criteria listed in the scheme guidelines. Explain how the program presents an integrated interdisciplinary program of research for the Theme. This may include a suite of aligned Theme activities including workshops, seed funding schemes, casual and fixed-term appointments, equipment purchases, research translation and publication costs, and travel costs. Explain how the program will benefit end-users, including Indigenous people, and the expected impact and reach of its outcomes. Outline anticipated outcomes from the program, including publications, presentations, and future grant applications. This information will be used for future reporting purposes. (Up to two A4 pages)*

*Aims*

*Significance and innovation*

*Interdisciplinary framework and approach*

*Research timeline*

*Benefit*

*Outcomes and communication of results*

**C2. Commitment to Partnerships** *(300 words maximum)*  
*Outline your relationships with all named Partner Investigators and Partner Organisations on the program, including all such Indigenous partnerships.*

**C3. Impact and Researcher Development** *(300 words maximum)**Explain how this program will develop capability in researchers, including indigenous participants. If Early Career Researchers (ECRs) or Higher Degree by Research (HDR) students are participants, explain their involvement in the program and how this will provide them with research development opportunities.*

**PART D. Personnel**

**D1. Theme Leader Capability**  
*Provide a brief CV outlining your research experience, outputs, grants and income, as well as your capability and achievements in leading research teams and projects. (Two pages maximum)*

**D2. Participants and Capability***Describe the research capabilities of all participants and how they will work together in their respective roles to undertake the program and achieve critical mass to deliver outcomes. (One page maximum)*

**PART E. Program Costs**

**E1. Budget Outline***Provide a fully itemised list of your requested budget against the expense categories below. See the Funding Terms and Conditions for details ($100,000 over two years maximum). Do not include the additional 0.1 FTE Theme Leader salary buyout in this table.*

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| **YEAR ONE** | | | |
| **Expense Category** | **Budget Item Description** | **Requested $** | **Co-contribution $**  **(If applicable)** |
| *Personnel* |  |  |  |
| *Teaching/*  *Marking Relief* |  |  |  |
| *Travel* |  |  |  |
| *Field Research* |  |  |  |
| *Equipment* |  |  |  |
| *Maintenance* |  |  |  |
| *Other*  Expert Services/Carer Expenses |  |  |  |

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| **YEAR TWO** | | | |
| **Expense Category** | **Budget Item Description** | **Requested $** | **Co-contribution $**  **(If applicable)** |
| *Personnel* |  |  |  |
| *Teaching/*  *Marking Relief* |  |  |  |
| *Travel* |  |  |  |
| *Field Research* |  |  |  |
| *Equipment* |  |  |  |
| *Maintenance* |  |  |  |
| *Other*  Expert Services/Carer Expenses |  |  |  |

**E2. Budget Justification**  
*Provide a brief justification for each item listed within the expense categories above and explain how your budget is feasible. See the Funding Terms and Conditions for details. (One page minimum)*

**PART F. Applicant Declaration**

By submitting this application, I declare that the information I have provided is true to the best of my knowledge, and I understand that any offer of funding may be withdrawn if false information is given.

I agree

**F2. Head of School/Department Certification**

In signing below, I confirm that:

* All applicants have accurately reported their academic careers and outputs to date
* The lead applicant and proposed program can be accommodated within the general facilities of my School/Department
* The lead applicant will be funded and appointed as a Theme Leader at 0.1 FTE by the Indigenous Knowledge Institute

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| **HoS/HoD Full Name** |  |
| **School/Department** |  |
| **Signature** |  |
| **Date** |  |