

# Scholarships and Grants Program

## Learning and Development Grants Guideline - 2022 Activity

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### Pickard Robotic Training Grant

The Pickard Robotic Training Grant supports training and/or research opportunities for South Australian surgeons and health professionals to expand their expertise in innovative robotic techniques.

#### Conditions

##### Applicant eligibility

Applications are open to RACS Fellows, SET Trainees, non-RACS surgeons and health professionals.

Applicants must be able to demonstrate that they either come from a period of long-standing residency within South Australia or have a clear contractual plan to return to the South Australia public hospital system for the two years immediately following the conclusion of the grant.

##### Eligible activity

The activity:

- may be based in Australia, Aotearoa New Zealand or overseas.
- must be a defined training program and/or research in robotic surgery.

##### Selection

Selection is by written application with shortlisted applicants invited to interview. Selection is based upon:

- your activity proposal including: how your activity will benefit your professional development; and contribute to improving Australian and/or Aotearoa New Zealand surgical standards and knowledge base
- your experience in robotic surgery
- the expected outcomes of your activity
- proposed costs
- references.

The selection panel is comprised of members of the ANZ Scholarship and Grant Committee (ANZSGC), the RACS SA Regional Committee and the R P Jepson Professor of Surgery, University of Adelaide.

*This guideline provides details regarding the purpose, eligibility and requirements specific to this grant. Additional Scholarships and Grants Program conditions are outlined in the Learning and Development Grants Policy.*

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### Acknowledgment

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