

Scholarships and Grants Program

Learning and Development Grants Guideline - 2022 Activity

Governing Policy: Learning and Development Grants

Queensland Younger Fellows Grant

The Queensland Younger Fellows Grant supports Younger Fellows in Queensland to obtain post Fellowship training interstate or overseas, prior to returning to practice in Queensland. The grant is offered by the Queensland State Committee through the Younger Fellows Advisory Group which encourages Younger Fellows to support the Queensland State Conference and RACS activities.

Conditions

Applicant eligibility

Applications are open to RACS Fellows who have gained Fellowship within the past ten years and

- are working or studying in Queensland and plan to travel interstate or overseas within the 12 month grant activity period to further post Fellowship work or studies, prior to returning to practice in Queensland

OR

- are pursuing post Fellowship work or studies outside of Queensland and will return to practice in Queensland within 12 months.

Eligible activity

The activity must support the return of a local Younger Fellow into practice and/or encourage their acquisition of surgical experiences that will be of benefit to Queensland.

Application criteria

Applications must include confirmation from the institution, supervising consultant/unit or overseeing society; and/or a confirmation of public appointment letter or letter of intent to practice from a private hospital executive.

For those returning to practice in Queensland, the application should include details of practice in Queensland including the geographical and public/private surgical services or the skills the applicant will provide.

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 Grant Policy.

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Selection

Preference may be given to those in their earlier post Fellowship years who:

- have secured structured appointments to established units (over less structured proposals)
- have not secured alternative financial support
- are providing a new or expanded service or are practising in an area of need
- have previously attended the QLD Preparation for Practice Workshop or the QLD State Conference
- are involved with RACS or the Younger Fellows Committee

The selection panel is comprised of members of:

- QLD Younger Fellows, Younger Fellows Committee Executive and the QLD Regional Committee

Recipient obligations

The recipient is required to present a brief descriptive paper at the Queensland State Conference (held in November every two years).

Up to four grant recipients' papers will be presented at the State Conference - two from the current grant year and two from the previous grant year:

- those recipients whose grant activity falls within the year the state conference is being run, are required to present at that year's state conference.
- those recipients whose grant activity falls within the year that the state conference is not being run, are required to present at the following year's state conference.

Funding

The grant is valued at \$2500 (ex GST) paid to the recipient following receipt of the recipient's invoice as requested by the Scholarships and Grants department. In addition, \$455 (ex GST) is paid directly to the RACS Queensland State Conference to fund the recipient's registration and the official meeting dinner (subject to funding).

Acknowledgment

The grant is to be acknowledged by the recipient in all related communication as The Queensland Younger Fellows Grant (supported by the Qld Committee of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons), and is to be accompanied by the Foundation for Surgery logo (on all related presentations).