# Position Details

## Research Projects- CSOF4

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| The following information is for applicants |
| Advertised Job Title | Research Projects Officer (Nutrition) |
| Job Reference | 67265 |
| Tenure | Specified Term of 12 months Full-time |
| Salary Range | AU$83,687 to AU$94,679 pa (pro-rata for part-time) + up to 15.4% superannuation |
| Location(s) | Adelaide, South Australia |
| Relocation Assistance | Will be provided to the successful candidate if required |
| Applications are open to | * Australian/New Zealand Citizens and Australian Permanent Residents Only
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| Position reports to the | Public Health Program Delivery Team Leader |
| Client Focus – Internal | 50% |
| Client Focus – External | 50% |
| Number of Direct Reports | 0 |
| Enquire about this job | Dr Gilly Hendrie via email at gilly.hendrie@csiro.au or phone +61 8 8305 0662 |
| How to apply | Apply online at <https://jobs.csiro.au/> Internal applicants please apply via **Jobs Central**If you experience difficulties when applying, please email careers.online@csiro.au or call 1300 984 220. |

### Role Overview

The role of Research Projects staff at CSIRO is to collaborate in scientific activities with other research staff usually by assisting with detailed planning, undertaking or assisting with experimental and observational work, and in carrying out the practical aspects of the work.

The role of the Research Projects Officer (Nutrition) is to provide specialised nutrition science project support for the Nutrition and Health Program, within CSIRO Health & Biosecurity. The Research Project Officer will have well-developed nutrition science knowledge and understanding, along with good communication skills. This role will work as part of a team on projects requiring diet, nutrition science and food knowledge.

The Research Projects Officer (Nutrition) will join Health and Biosecurity’s Public Health Nutrition Group and will have the opportunity to build and maintain professional networks, assist in securing project funds, and pursue new ideas and approaches to create new concepts.

### Duties and Key Result Areas:

* Contribute to the design and implementation of diet, food and lifestyle-based programs that aim to improve nutritional status, dietary patterns and health.
* Implement dietary protocols, as defined in study intervention strategies, by providing dietary counselling and monitoring of study participants.
* Measure and analyse dietary intake data from study participants or other sources.
* Conduct analyses of dietary intake data, and write clear, concise and accurate result summaries.
* Contribute to scientific literature reviews.
* Assist with preparation, analysis and interpretation of data and databases.
* Assist with the preparation of reports and dossiers for clients.
* Communicate effectively and respectfully with all staff, clients and suppliers.
* Work as part of a multi-disciplinary, often regionally dispersed research team, to carry out tasks under limited direction, in support of scientific research whilst positively and proactively contributing to the team environment.
* Work collaboratively with colleagues within your team, the business unit and across CSIRO, to achieve objectives.
* Adapt and/or develop scientific methods/equipment/software/concepts/ideas in support of existing and further research.
* Adhere to the spirit and practice of CSIRO’s Values, Health, Safety and Environment plans and policies, Diversity initiatives and Zero Harm goals.
* Other duties as directed.

## **Required Competencies:**

* **Teamwork and Collaboration:** Cooperates with others to achieve organisational objectives and may share team resources in order to do this. Collaborates with other teams as well as industry colleagues.
* **Influence and Communication:** Uses knowledge of other party's priorities and adapts presentations or discussions to appeal to the interests and level of the audience. Anticipates and prepares for others reactions.
* **Resource Management/Leadership:** Allocates activities, directs tasks and manages resources to meet objectives. Provides coaching and on the job training, recognises and supports staff achievements and fosters open communication in the team.
* **Judgement and Problem Solving:** Investigates underlying issues of complex and ill-defined problems and develops appropriate response by adapting/creating and testing alternative solutions.
* **Independence:** Recognise and makes immediate changes to improve performance (faster, better, lower cost, more efficiently, better quality, improved client satisfaction).
* **Adaptability:**Copes with ambiguity or situations that lack clarity. Adapts readily to changing circumstances and new responsibilities (which may include activities outside own preferences) in the interests of achieving team objectives. Recognises the need for and undertakes personal development as a result of changes.

## **Selection Criteria**

#### Essential

*Under CSIRO policy only those who meet all essential criteria can be appointed.*

1. University degree in nutrition science or dietetics.
2. Demonstrated knowledge of research design including experimental and observational research.
3. Demonstrated skills and experience with dietary intake assessment and dietary compositional analysis.
4. Demonstrated experience in scientific literature review.
5. Demonstrated nutrition and food supply knowledge, and application to nutrition-related research or delivery projects and/or community-based programs.
6. Familiarity and skills with word-processing and spreadsheet software.

## **Desirable:**

1. Statistical analysis knowledge, understanding and skills.
2. 2-5 years of experience in a relevant clinical, health promotion, research or industry environment.
3. Demonstrated research skills across the research process from the formulation of scientific questions through to data collection, analysis, interpretation and dissemination.

## **Special Requirements:**

* The successful candidate will be asked to obtain and provide evidence of a National Police Check or equivalent. Please note that people with criminal records are not automatically deemed ineligible. Each application will be considered on its merits.

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