

CSIRO's Industry PhD Program

Bringing together an industry partner, a university and CSIRO to co-develop and jointly supervise a four-year industry-focused PhD project

CSIRO's Industry PhD (iPhD) Program supports a three-way partnership aiming to train new researchers in critical areas and facilitate strategic relationships between research organisations and industry.

Program Benefits

Develop new, or strengthen relationships with industry partners and universities to:

- upskill PhD students to develop capability in CSIRO priority areas and in areas of national need
- build consortia aligned with Research Units through iPhD projects
- grow industry and university involvement with CSIRO exploratory research
- provide PhD students with industry focused training

Program Funding & Support

The iPhD program is funded by the Australian Government and the industry partner for up to four years. For projects commencing in 2027:

- Student scholarship of \$49,513 p.a. comprising of \$37,153 p.a. provided by the Government and \$12,360 p.a. provided by the industry partner
- Project Expense and Development package of \$13,390 p.a. provided by the Government for research operating costs
- student career and professional development training funding provided by the Government.

Program funding amounts increase annually. Refer to www.csiro.au/iphd for yearly rates.

Program Requirements

iPhD projects must:

- Align with CSIRO & Government priorities
- address an industry problem while complying with the university's requirements of a PhD program
- be with an Australian industry partner or an industry partner with an Australian presence
- · be limited to domestic students
- include at least a 60-day Industry Engagement Component, conducting research under the guidance of the industry partner.

CSIRO Research Units must:

- Provide a suitably experienced researcher to cosupervise the PhD student for up to four years
- provide access to facilities and infrastructure, if required for the project.

Program Intake Dates

- Call for Expressions of Interest: From 2 Feb 2026
- project commencement: Late 2026/early 2027.

Early discussions are encouraged to work through project logistics. Contact iphd@csiro.au to explore your project idea.

Program Information

- · Visit csiro.au/iphd
- · scan the QR code
- email iphd@csiro.au

