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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 long-term beneficial interaction between research organisations and industry.

Program Benefits

- Access an industry PhD training program aligned to national priorities and funded by Government
- develop new, or strengthen relationships with industry and CSIRO
- enhance innovation and potential to commercialise research with industry and CSIRO
- provide PhD students with an opportunity to develop industry-focussed professional skills
- gain access to CSIRO and industry facilities and expertise.

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 2028:

- Student scholarship of $50,998 p.a. comprising of $38,267 p.a. provided by the Government and $12,731 p.a. provided by the industry partner

- Project Expense and Development package of $13,792 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.

Universities must:

- Provide a suitably experienced researcher to be the primary supervisor of the PhD student for up to four years
- lead student advertising, recruitment and enrolment processes with support from CSIRO
- provide access to facilities and infrastructure, if required for the project
- provide a fee off-set for the student
- monitor and assess the student in accordance with the university's Higher Degree by Research policies.

Program Intake Dates

- Call for Expressions of Interest: From 1 Feb 2027
- project commencement: Late 2027/early 2028.

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

Program Information

- Visit csiro.au/iphd
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