# UQ HERA Collaborate

# **Application Form**

HERA Collaborate has been established as a funding mechanism to incentivise ambitious research endeavours by HERA Programs/Researchers that are aligned to medium-term outcomes. The aim of HERA Collaborate is to:

* drive impact and translation,
* facilitate meaningful partner engagement and research collaboration
* expand research opportunities available across the HERA’s network and UQ research community
* drive ambitious funding pipelines

The intended outcomes from the scheme are for:

* HERA Programs co-develop and deliver research programs/projects with meaningful partner engagement;
* HERA Programs embrace new UQ research collaborative opportunities for knowledge exchange, impact and innovation;
* Research activity to lay the groundwork for research funding pipelines into competitive grant funding, philanthropy, consultancy, and contract research.

# Application checklist

**Eligibility Self-Assessment (please tick):**

* Is the project connected to a HERA Program research focus area? [ ]
* Does the project team include at least one HERA researcher (funded by HERA)? [ ]
* Does the application contain at least one new UQ collaborator(s) not currently working in the HERA Program Team? [ ]
* Is the application working towards submission for a large-scale programmatic grant within 12-months since receipt of funds? [ ]
* Has the affiliated HERA Program Lead and Head of School/Centre Director completed the Certification / Endorsement Statement? [ ]

**Applications are due to the Research Office by COB 20th June 2025.**

**Please ensure that you have downloaded the Guidelines and Conditions of Award via the** [**HERA website**](https://research-support.uq.edu.au/research-support/research-management/funding-schemes/health-research-accelerator)**.**

**To submit your PDF application form and for more information about the application process, please contact** [**hera@research.uq.edu.au**](mailto:hera@research.uq.edu.au)**.**

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# **Project Application**

Format

* Three pages maximum
* Margins should be no narrower than 1cm
* Single-spaced. Font Calibri 11 point or equivalent

Project Title, Aims and Background

* Provide a plain language summary of the aims, significance and expected outcomes and benefits/impact of the project. Please specify which HERA program the proposal aligns with.
* Describe the aims and background to the project.

Significance of the Activity

* Describe how the research is significant and whether the research addresses an important problem, outlining the need for this project from the end-user perspective.
* Describe how this proposal might lead to further collaborations and obtain externally sourced funding within 12 months of the completion of the project. Indicate which external agency(ies) would be likely to fund this proposal.

Project Approach

* Outline the conceptual framework, design and methods, and demonstrate that these are adequately developed, well integrated and appropriate to the aims of the project.
* Describe how the end-user will be involved in the design and activities of the project.
* Summarise the role, responsibilities and contributions of the team, including partners.

Benefit of Knowledge Exchange

* Outline the expected outcomes/ benefit of the project.

Budget\*

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| **Activity** | **Brief justification** | **Cost** |
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\*If there is any in-kind support or co-funding associated with this project, please include in the budget.

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# **Certification / Endorsement**

**Endorsement from the affiliated HERA Program Lead and Head of School/Centre Director**

**is only required for the lead funding applicant.**

**Please ensure all funding applicants are listed under ‘UQ Researcher Certification.’**

Affiliated HERA Program Lead and Head of School/Centre Director Endorsement:

*I confirm that I support the* **HERA Collaborate** *application from [insert name] for [insert project title].*

*I confirm that it does not duplicate funding, that it supports the applicant’s project trajectory towards submitting a highly-programmatic competitive funding application and that I will ensure that the applicant has capacity to undertake this proposal, should it be awarded.*

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| **UQ Researcher Certification** | | | **UQ Organisation Unit Certification/Endorsements** | |
| **Name** | **Org Unit/**  **Faculty** | **Signature** | **Affiliated HERA Program Lead** | **Head of School/Centre Director** |
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