**Melbourne Graduate School of Education**

Request for Establishment Grant funds for 2018 ARC Discovery Early Career Award Applications

Expression of interest in submitting a proposal that requires cash co-investment for funding from the **Melbourne Graduate School of Education**

**Summary**

2018 ARC DECRA applicants who will hold their Fellowship in the Melbourne Graduate School of Education

may apply for an establishment grant of up to $50,000 (one-off grant) to support their Fellowship.

The objectives of the Scheme are to:
• support successful ARC DECRAs in establishing their research program at the University of Melbourne
• enhance the candidate’s competitiveness when applying for the ARC DECRA scheme

This co-investment is shared by Melbourne Research (up to $25,000) and the Graduate School of Education (up to $25,000) and is paid upon successful award of the DECRA. Applicants must request a minimum of $25,000 in total (ie minimum $12,500 from MGSE matched by minimum $12,500 from DVCR). To be eligible for this grant, you must submit this form, and email to **MERI** by email, by **midday Thursday, 23rd February 2017**.

You should include details of the total requested Establishment Grant support in your ARC application in the following sections – noting that the application form has not yet been released, so these headings are based on the DECRA 2017 application form:

* **Strategic Statement** – include details of the total financial support being provided by the Administering Organisation and how this will support the candidate and project. (**Section D2** in the last round)
* **Research Support table** (**Section G** in the last round)

*Please submit* ***D2: Organisational Statement*** *with this application for an establishment grant.*

**Funding available: Funds may only be used to supplement project costs; they are not to be used to cover the salary short-fall.**

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| **Funding provided by MGSE** | **Funding provided by DVC(R)** | **Total Establishment Grant**  |
| Minimum $12,500 - up to $25,000 if matched by MGSE | Minimum $12,500 – up to $25,000 | Minimum $25,000 - up to $50,000 |

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| **Applicant Details**  |
| First named investigator |  |
| Department(s) |  |
| Email |  |
| Phone |  |

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| Title of ARC DECRA Proposal (max 20 words) |  |
| Project Summary (max 100 words)Briefly outline the major goals of the proposed project and how this will be accomplished. State clearly the significance of the research in terms of contribution to the research capacity of the Faculty, the prospects for subsequent funding and international competitiveness.  |  |

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| Please provide a brief, but detailed budget (i.e. use categories as for normal ARC budget request: people, travel etc.). This budget is in addition to the DECRA Fellowship project costs provided by the ARC, the justification must address the requirements beyond those requested in the ARC application. |
| **Total Requested (up to $50,000)** |

**CERTIFICATION** (electronic signatures will be accepted)

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| **Signature of applicant:** |  |
| **Print name:** |  | **Date:** |  |

**ENDORSEMENT FROM HEAD OF DEPARTMENT/SCHOOL** (electronic signatures will be accepted)

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| I agree that the project can be accommodated within the general facilities in my Department/ School; |
| For successful candidates, I agree to provide the following funding (one off payment)$\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| **Signature of Associate Dean, Research MGSE:*****(to be organised by MERI)*** |  |
| **Print name:** |  | **Date:** |  |

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| **Supporting Documentation** | **Attached** |
| Draft ARC DECRA Strategic Statement  | **[ ]**  |

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE:** Please e-mail the details requested to Jacinta Ridge, Grants and Publications Officer, MERI mgse-grants@unimelb.edu.au