

**THE UNIVERSITY OF ADELAIDE
FACULTY OF HEALTH SCIENCES**

**MEDICAL AND HEALTH SCIENCE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS
(JEAN B REID)
CRITERIA FOR APPOINTMENT**

1. AIMS AND EXPECTED OUTCOMES OF THE APPOINTMENT

The aim of the Faculty of Health Sciences Research Fellowship Scheme is to increase substantially the number of NHMRC/ARC Research Fellows at the University. As part of the overall Faculty of Health Sciences Research Fellowship Scheme strategy, the Research Committee is offering a Research Fellowship to candidates who have demonstrated significant research potential in their early post-doctoral or post-medical specialist training years. The Research Fellowships are fixed-term positions for a period of five years.

It is anticipated that the provision of funding through this scheme will make the recipient highly competitive for NHMRC or ARC appointments (e.g., Research Fellowships or Clinical Practitioner Fellowships) or similar positions. It is also expected that the appointment will introduce new disciplines or skills into the University to enhance existing research strengths.

Applicants who have had post-doctoral or post-medical specialist position experience overseas interstate or locally will be considered, particularly if they are able to demonstrate that they bring new and innovative skills and research to an active research group in the University. There is no requirement that the applicant's undergraduate or postgraduate training was at the University of Adelaide. Applicants who already hold post-doctoral or other research positions within the University of Adelaide will only be considered if they can demonstrate a high level of research potential.

2. QUALIFICATIONS

University graduates with a doctorate, medical specialist, or equivalent higher degree, preferably in biomedical or health sciences or relevant specialist training and research.

3. POSTDOCTORAL / POST-MEDICAL SPECIALIST TRAINING EXPERIENCE

Researchers who have at least **4 years, but no more than 8 years** post-doctoral experience or relevant post-medical specialist training are encouraged to apply. Researchers from both within and outside Adelaide, with demonstrated strong research potential are encouraged to apply.

Preference will be given to researchers who are members of or will be aligned with a Faculty of Health Sciences or University Research Centre/Institute (refer: <http://www.adelaide.edu.au/health/research/uoa/>).

4. TRACK RECORD

The following criteria will be used to judge research capabilities when viewed against the stage of the applicant's research career and opportunities:

- Publication in highly rated international journals, in particular, the number of publications when examined against opportunities to publish;
- Presentations at national and international conferences, with a greater weighing if the applicant was an invited speaker;
- Success in obtaining significant and substantial competitive research grants (as chief or co-investigator) or other research funding;
- The ability to attract and supervise high quality research students;
- Other achievements including prizes/awards, lodging of patents;
- Original intellectual input into research;
- The ability to undertake collaborative research;

- The ability to attract postdoctoral fellows;
- Involvement in the peer review of manuscripts and project funding applications;
- Involvement in other professional activities, including institutional, professional societies, government and community service.

5. QUALITY OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT

The project should have a strong focus on health science research and be competitive at NHMRC (or equivalent) level.

6. THE HOST SCHOOL

The Fellowship will be taken up within a School of the University of Adelaide or one of its affiliated institutions, including teaching hospitals.

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