# Special Studies Program (SSP) Report



### **Guidelines**

All staff members who have been granted Special Studies, must at the conclusion of their SSP submit a Special Studies Report for review of their Head of School and submission to the Faculty's SSP Committee **within one month** of their return.

The report compromises four sections as follows:

# Section 1: Approved Program details

This section should include an outline of the approved activities.

# **Section 2: Executive Summary**

The Special Studies report should include a brief summary (e.g. 300 words) of the main objectives of the approved SSP and any significant outcomes of the SSP.

#### **Section 3: Written Report**

The full written report is a maximum of three pages in Arial 10 font (in addition to part 1 of the Cover sheet and Executive Summary. For consistency, staff members should complete the report using the attached template as a covering page. The written report should include the following:

- Where applicable the special studies report should describe the following:
  - the principal activity of the SSP as approved on the application;
  - details of travel destinations (where applicable);
  - institutions visited;
  - partners/collaborators;
  - outline of SSP activities carried out, including work carried out during any Adelaide based portion of the SSP (where applicable);
  - any alteration or variation to the approved SSP program;
  - implications for the staff member's teaching and/or research work;
  - the measurable benefits of the School/Faculty or professional development of the staff member;
  - a list of any publications resulting from research conducted during SSP;
  - the outcomes of any reverse SSP or internal release activities for the staff member and/or their School/Faculty/University;
  - any additional information as required by the School/Faculty;
  - any specific technical details (e.g., details of research undertaken, results of experimentation, the development of new technique(s), etc.) should be provided in a supplementary report to the Head of the School.

### Section 4: Dissemination/Knowledge Transfer

Approved SSP must have a demonstrated and measurable benefit the School, Faculty and University. Staff must propose a method of disseminating and sharing what they have learnt, new approaches and outcomes of their SSP to a wider audience:

- Presentation to staff/students:
- Presentation to a School/Faculty; or teaching, or research forum;
- Other activity (describe).

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SECTION 1 - APPROV	ED PROGRAM DETAI	LS					
STAFF MEMBER TO COMPLETE:							
Employee ID/Name:	Employee ID/Name: School/Branch:						
Title: Fami	ly Name:	Given Names (in fu	II):				
Period of Special Studi	ies From: Select date	To: Select da	te				
Primary Location:		Number of D	ays outside SA:				
Principal Activity:							
☐ Pursuit of Research	☐ Teaching Development	☐ Professional Practice	☐ General Scholarship				
APPROVED ACTIVITIE	S						
VARIATION (IF ANY) To	O THE APPROVED SS	SP ACTIVITIES AND OUT	COMES				
SSP OUTCOMES							

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SECTION 2 – EXECUTIVE SUMMARY (Not exceeding 300 words)	

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SECTION 3 – WRITTEN REPORT (Maximum 3 pages, minimum Arial 10 font)	

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SECTION 4 – DISSEMINATION/KNOWLEDGE TRANSFER				
Briefly describe how/what you will do to share your experience and what you have learnt with staff/students/others. Alternatively, you may prepare a visual presentation.				
Provide details of the timing, location and proposed audience/participant group.				
Staff member to forward the completed report to the Head of School				

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RECOMMENDATION TO BE COMPLETED BY HEAD OF SCHOOL	RECOMMENDATION TO BE COMPLETED BY CONVENOR OF THE FACULTY SSP COMMITTEE
Head of School Comments:	Convenor Comments:
Name (please print):	Name (please print):
Signature:	Signature:
Date: Click to enter date	Date: Click to enter date
Once completed, forward this report to the Convenor	
APPROVAL BY EXECUTIVE DEAN	
Executive Dean:	
☐ Approved	
☐ Not Approved	
Name (please print):	
Signature:  Date: Click to enter date	
	this report to the Convenor
ADMINISTRATION	
Convenor, Faculty SSP Committee to complete:	
$\ \square$ Confirmation that the applicant has been advised of	the acceptance or otherwise of their report;
☐ Note below any adjustments to the pre-approved fina reimbursement;	ancial support, allowances and/or travel expenses for
☐ Forward to HR Service Centre for filing.	
Name (please print):	
Signature:	
Date: Click to enter date	
Forward this completed report to	ogether to the HR Service Centre

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