

Guidelines for Visiting Indigenous Fellowships

This document contains guidelines for Visiting Indigenous Fellowships at the Centre for Aboriginal Economic Policy Research (CAEPR), Research School of Social Sciences, The Australian National University (ANU).

CAEPR has an endowment fund through which it sponsors Indigenous people to become Centre Visitors under the Visiting Indigenous Fellowship Scheme and be involved in collaborative research with CAEPR staff and higher degree research students. Research is understood broadly, reflecting CAEPR's commitment to Indigenous empowerment throughout Australia.

The endowment was originally funded by foundations associated with Rio Tinto and Westpac as well as by ANU.

Visiting Indigenous Fellowships can take one of two forms:

1. An individual can develop a research proposal in collaboration with a CAEPR staff member or student. Visits would usually be to the Canberra campus of the ANU for up to eight weeks.
2. A group may come together with CAEPR staff and students for a workshop on a research topic of mutual interest. These would typically last a week or less and be located at ANU campuses in Canberra, Darwin or elsewhere.

For both forms of Fellowship, the first step is for potential applicants to collaborate with CAEPR staff or students to develop a Proposal.

A Proposal should identify:

1. The Topic Area being researched and the Idea being investigated, discussed or pursued. Some claim should be made regarding the importance or significance of the Topic Area and Idea.
2. A proposed Research Output, such as a seminar presentation or report either in writing or using other media. In the case of Group Workshops this output can be the workshop itself and the networking it enables, but other possible outputs may also be envisaged.
3. The funds being sought. These can cover travel to and from the ANU campuses from a Visitor's home base and accommodation and living expenses while at the ANU campus. If the Visitor is not employed or cannot undertake the Fellowship as part of their current paid employment, consideration may also be given to providing a wage via casual employment for the duration of the Fellowship.
4. A proposed timing and duration for the Fellowship.

Fellowship Proposals should be accompanied by:

- for an *individual Centre Visitor*, a brief curriculum vitae, outlining the person's current and past experience and interest in the Topic Area.
- for *group workshops*, a list of intended Indigenous attendees and their current affiliation with Indigenous community or other organisations of relevance to the Topic Area.

CAEPR staff or students involved in the Proposal should also provide an overview Supporting Statement. Proposals will be assessed on merit relative to funds sought and engagement achieved between CAEPR and Indigenous people/ communities.

Proposals can be developed and lodged at any time, but are particularly encouraged by the end of February each year, as a Visiting Indigenous Fellowships Committee will be convened each March to assess proposals as part of planning annual activities and budgets.

Proposals and attachments should be emailed to caepradmin.cass@anu.edu.au with the subject line 'Visiting Indigenous Fellowship Proposal'.