

Faculty of Science & Technology

HDR Student Allocation Amounts

During the period of your candidature, the University allocates PhD and Masters by Research students, a student allocation each semester for the duration of your research as follows:

Masters: up to 2 years full-time or 4 years part-time

PhD: up to 3 years full-time or 6 years part-time

This funding is provided to assist you with your postgraduate research expenses, for example: purchase of equipment, software, assistance with travel expenses, binding and printing of your thesis. Allocations accrue each semester and funds are available to students currently enrolled in an approved course of study. Students must obtain approval from their supervisor before purchasing any items.

On your admission into the University, the Faculty determines whether your area of research is characterised as a “high” cost or “low” cost area based on regulations from the federal government. The base level of Faculty funding you will receive will depend on whether your project is determined to be a “high” cost or “low” cost project. For this year, allocation will be as follows:

High cost (full-time student) \$1800 per semester

High cost (part-time student) \$900 per semester

Low cost (full-time student) \$800 per semester

Low cost (part-time student) \$400 per semester

If you wish to know the balance of your account, please contact the Faculty HDR Coordinator. You might find it handy to set up your own Excel spreadsheet and keep tabs on your expenditure/balance. Allocations are credited to your account at the beginning of January and July each year. To claim reimbursements, see below.

Students are permitted to use part of their allocation to support conference attendance. However, this cannot be used to the detriment of supporting other requirements in their projects. Students who have significant conference expenditures should note that this cannot be used as justification for additional funds to complete project should they completely expend their allocation.

Note: In certain circumstances it is possible to apply for an advance on your allocation. This will be considered upon a formal request from you and needs to be fully supported by your principal supervisor.