

CSIRO's Industry PhD Program

Bringing together an industry partner, a university and CSIRO to co-develop and jointly supervise a four-year industry-focused PhD project

CSIRO's Industry PhD (iPhD) Program supports a three-way partnership aiming to train new researchers in critical areas and facilitate long-term beneficial interaction between research organisations and industry.

Program Benefits

- Develop new, or strengthen relationships with universities and CSIRO
- gain new knowledge and research solutions for challenges facing your company
- enhance innovation and build company R&D pipelines through university and CSIRO knowledge transfer
- gain access to university and CSIRO facilities and expertise
- develop highly skilled and customised talent to assist with future recruitment.

Program Funding & Support

The iPhD program is funded by the Australian Government and the industry partner for up to four years. Funding for each year consists of three components:

- Student scholarship of approx. \$48,000 p.a. (2026 rate) comprising of approx. \$36,000 p.a. provided by the Government and approx. \$12,000 p.a. provided by the industry partner
- Project Expense and Development package of approx. \$13,000 p.a. provided by the Government for research operating costs
- student career and professional development training funding provided by the Government and developed/delivered by CSIRO.

Program funding amounts increase annually. Please refer to our Program Rules on www.csiro.au/iphd for yearly rates.

Program Requirements

iPhD projects must:

- Align with CSIRO & Government priorities
- address an industry problem while complying with the university's requirements of a PhD program
- be limited to domestic students.

Industry Partners must:

- Be an Australian company or have an Australian presence (with a registered ABN or ACN)
- commit to fund a top-up scholarship for the student. For projects commencing in 2026, the total cost over four years is \$50,204
- provide a suitably experienced staff member to cosupervise the student for up to four years
- be a Research End User
- provide the student with a 60-day Industry Engagement component
- provide access to facilities and infrastructure, if required for the project.

Program Intake Dates

- Call for Expressions of Interest: From 3 Feb 2025
- project commencement: Late 2025/early 2026.

Early discussions are encouraged to work through project logistics. Contact iphd@csiro.au to explore your project idea.

Program Information

- · Visit csiro.au/iphd
- · scan the QR code
- email iphd@csiro.au

