# Next Generation Graduates Program Round 2023-24 Application Form Template

## Online application template

​**NOTE:** This template is only provided to you to assist you in brainstorming your proposed consortium program with your team of investigators/partners. All applications must be submitted electronically with the mandatory attachments through the application platform which will be accessible from 11th September 2023. This form template is subject to potential changes, the final version will be the one reflected on the platform.

|  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- |
| **TAB 1 – START HERE** | | |
| **Content Block: Important Grant Application Submission information**  **Next Generation Graduates Program Round 2023-24**  **To Apply:**   * Choose the Next Generations Graduates Program - Round 3 2023 from the Category field. * Choose the Sub Category (AI or ET), and then a Sub Sub Category (Regional or General) relevant for your proposed program. * Give your application a name, using this style: Proposed Consortium Program Title   **Important information:**   * Application deadline: **Monday 16 October 2023 at 6.00pm (AEST)** * This date is final and there will be no extensions provided. The system will automatically prevent application submission after the deadline. * An individual Investigator may be named onno more than three applications (including previously awarded) across all rounds of funding. * Successful applicants will be notified by early December 2023.   **Support:** If you have any questions about the application process, please contact the Data61 Next Gen Team by email to [Data61-NextGenGrad@csiro.au](mailto:Data61-NextGenGrad@csiro.au).   * You may edit your application after submitting, up until the deadline date. * Please make sure all your personal details are entered accurately, including contact details, so that we may contact you about your application. * You are eligible to submit to more than one sub category, as long as the work submitted meets the criteria. * You can use the ‘copy’ feature to create a copy of your application and change the category as required. | | |
| **Field Name** | **Required info (Applicant to input)** | **Help/hint text** |
| **Season (not visible to applicant)** | **2023** |  |
| **Applicant (system fixed)** | **Applicant name will appear here, who would be entering data and submitting.** |  |
| **Chapter (not visible to applicant)** | **Data61 Next Generation Graduates Program** |  |
| **Category** | **Data61 Next Generation Graduates Program** |  |
| **Subcategory** | **Next Generation Artificial Intelligence (AI) Graduates Program**  **Next Generation Emerging Technologies (ET) Graduates Program** |  |
| **Sub-subcategory** | **Regional Stream**  **General Stream** | Note for the Regional Stream applicants: you will need to indicate which eligible regional university is part of the consortium in the application platform |
| **Proposed Program Title (Application name)** |  |  |
| **Eligibility** | **I confirm that the application meets eligibility criteria for this grant.** | **Please refer to Program guidelines and eligibility criteria** [**here**](https://www.csiro.au/en/work-with-us/funding-programs/funding/Next-Generation-Graduates-Programs/Next-Generation-Graduates-Program-Grant-Round-2023-24)**.** |
| **TAB 2 - APPLICANT INFORMATION** | | |
| **Content Block: Contact Details**  Please provide contact details of an authorised delegate/primary contact of your proposed consortium program, for us to contact about the application outcome or any other related matter. | | |
| **Primary Contact Name** |  |  |
| **Email** |  |  |
| **Phone (optional)** |  |  |
| **TAB 3 – PROGRAM SUMMARY** | | |
| **Content Block: Program Summary**  Please answer the below questions to summarise the proposed consortium program. Note help text next to the questions. | | |
| **Proposed Consortium Program Title** |  | **Enter same name provided in Tab 1 “Start here”. Do not enter individual project titles here.** |
| **Program summary** |  | **200 words.**  **Please summarise the proposed program. This will be used for external communications and promotions.** |
| **Program Objectives** |  | **300 words**  **Please provide one sentence per objective (max 5 objectives).** |
| **Benefit and impact statement** |  | **300 words**  **Please provide the benefit and impact statement for the proposed program.** |
| **Participant Summary** | |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **Participant name (Organisation name)** | **Participant Type (University/Industry/ Government/Other)** | **Participant Contribution (Supervision/Financial/Placements/Other)** | |  |  |  | |  |  |  | |  |  |  | |  |  |  | | **Please list all participants intended to be involved in this program and how they will be contributing.**  **(Add rows as needed)** |
| **TAB 4 - PROGRAM DESCRIPTION** | | |
| **Content block: Program Description**  **Consortium Program Description:** In this section below you are expected to strongly address the assessment criteria. Please refer to the Program guidelines available on our [website](https://www.csiro.au/en/work-with-us/funding-programs/funding/Next-Generation-Graduates-Programs/Next-Generation-Graduates-Program-Grant-Round-2023-24).  **For Photos, Graphs, Charts or Tables:** OPTIONAL - If you have any of above to be included in your Program description, you can upload them as attachments. A maximum of 2 attachments are allowed here.  Material may be supplied as follows:   1. Upload JPEG or PDF files. Maximum file size is 5MB per piece. A maximum of 2 pieces/files can be uploaded here in the last fields. 2. Provide website URLs where possible in your project description text. | | |
| **Introduction, Background and Aims** |  | **500 words (1 page)**  **Please describe the Program to enable Assessment panel to understand the focus of your proposed consortium program (the challenge), why you are focusing on this, and desired outcomes.** |
| **Address Assessment criteria (a) and (b)** | **(a) Delivery of a cohort-based, multi-disciplinary, industry-focused program**    **(b) Innovation, Outcomes and Benefit** | **1500 words**  **Please address (a) and (b) assessment criteria under two subheadings in the provided space.** |
| **Address Assessment criteria (c) and (d)** | **(c) Chief Investigator(s) and Investigator(s) / Capability**  **(d) Feasibility and Commitment** | **1000 words**  **Please address (c) and (d) assessment criteria under two subheadings in the provided space.** |
| **TAB 5 – INVESTIGATOR SUMMARY** | | |
| **Content Block: Investigator Summary**  Please list and provide required information for the Investigators from all partner organisations, in this section. | | |
| **Investigator summary** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Investigator Name** | **Investigator Type ( Chief/Other)** | **Current position** | **Current Organisation** | **Current Organisation  type (University/ Industry/NFP/Government)** | **Expertise/ Field of research** | **Relevant Experience (in the last 10 years)** | **Key Grants/projects (max 5)** | **Key Relevant Publications (max 5)** | **Key Awards (max 5)** | **Number of students completed/supervised by type (in the last 5 years)** | **Link to Academic/Professional Bio** | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | **List maximum of 20 Investigators including Chief Investigators (CIs) and Other Investigators (I). Maximum of 6 CIs per consortium program.**  **CI- will commit a minimum of 0.05FTE of their time and take responsibility for the overall general research program and intend on providing supervision of one or more students within the program.**  **Regional Stream applications to include a minimum of one CI from an eligible regional university.**  **I – will commit to providing support for the program and form part of student supervisory teams. Include designated people from partner organisations.** |
| **TAB 6 – DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION** | | |
| **How will D&I principles be implemented across the proposed program?** |  | **300 words** |
| **How is diversity, inclusion and belonging embedded in the research project to foster a culture of innovation and improve the adoption, adaption, development and deployment of AI or emerging technologies?** |  | **300 words** |
| **How does the consortium program plan to recruit a diverse cohort of students?** |  | **350 words**  **For example, women, mature age students, people with a disability, Indigenous Australians, people from regional, rural and remote Australia and those with diverse professional and academic backgrounds (such as with non-ICT qualifications).**  **Please provide a detailed plan, including risk management.** |
| **How is the consortium program structured to include a diverse mix of investigators (including designated people from partner organisations)?** |  | **300 words**  **Diversity dimensions may include, but are not limited to cultural diversity, carer status, disability status, and gender identity.** |
| **TAB 7 - BUDGET** | | |
| **Content Block: Budget**  To submit your budget please follow the below instructions:   * Tables provided in this form below do not auto-calculate totals. * For filling in Table 1, use the provided budget calculator (download from [this page](https://www.csiro.au/en/work-with-us/funding-programs/funding/Next-Generation-Graduates-Programs/Next-Generation-Graduates-Program-Grant-Round-2023-24)) and then copy the total $ figures. * Further information about funding amounts for different student degree types are also available in the budget calculator in sheet 2. * Table 2 and 3 – please manually calculate the total $ amounts. | | |
| **Table 1: Proposed Budget for Scholarship funding** | |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Next Generation Graduates Programs Budget Calculator** | | | | | | **TABLE 1: Proposed number of students and required Scholarship funding over the life of Program** | | | | | | **Students' Degree type** | **Proposed Number of Students** | **Requested CSIRO Next Gen Funding (AUD)** | **Required Partner Funding (AUD)** | **University Funding  (if Universities are providing funds for SMEs) (AUD)** | | Honours |  | $ | $ | $ | | Coursework Masters (not RTP eligible) |  | $ | $ | $ | | Masters 1 year project (RTP eligible) |  | $ | $ | $ | | Masters of Philosophy |  | $ | $ | $ | | Doctorate of Philosophy |  | $ | $ | $ | | **Totals of scholarship funding** | **0** | **$ -** | **$ -** | **$ -** | |  |
| **Table 2: Proposed additional funding and source** | |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **Table 2: Participant Contributions** | | | | | | | **University (Name)** | **University Cash Contribution (AUD)** | **University In-kind Contribution (AUD)** | **Industry Partners (Name)** | **Industry Partner Cash Contribution (AUD)** | **Industry Partner In-kind Contribution (AUD)** | |  | **$** | **$** |  | **$** | **$** | |  | **$** | **$** |  | **$** | **$** | |  | **$** | **$** |  | **$** | **$** | | **List all Universities and Industry partners and their contributions towards the proposed Consortium Program.**  **Add rows as needed.**  **Please calculate column totals as the last row at the bottom.**  **Note- Total Industry Partner Contribution in Table 2 should be the same as the Total Required Partner Funding in Table 1 above.** |
| **Table 3: Proposed additional funding and source** | |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **TABLE 2: Proposed additional funding and source (optional)\*** | | | | | **Description** | **Funding Source** | **Amount (cash contribution AUD)** | **Amount (in-kind contribution AUD)** | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | |  |  |  |  | | **Total additional funding** | | **$0** | **$0** | | **Total Budget** | **$ -** | | | | **\* Additional budget is recommended but not required. It can include in-kind contribution that is not Investigator time, such as project/program management, post-doctoral researcher supervision and support, additional cash contribution from partners etc.**  **\*Additional funding is to be managed by the university and partners (maybe via separate project agreements). CSIRO will not manage those funds.**  **\* Bundle your additional funding types to fit to 5 rows.**  **\* Calculate the total and enter in row 6 (last row).** |
| **TAB 8 – SUPPORTING MATERIAL** | | |
| **Content Block: Attachment Information**  **Mandatory Attachments** Please bundle your supporting documents as below to include 2 bundles of attachments. Support letter templates can be downloaded from [this page](https://www.csiro.au/en/work-with-us/funding-programs/funding/Next-Generation-Graduates-Programs/Next-Generation-Graduates-Program-Grant-Round-2023-24).   1. Letters of support from universities signed by relevant/authorised delegate. 2. Non-binding letter of in principle financial contribution and support for student placements from partner(s).   NOTE: CSIRO staff do not need a letter of support from CSIRO.  Attachments should be supplied as follows:   1. Upload PDF files. Maximum file size is 5MB per piece. A maximum of 2 pieces of attachments can be uploaded with your application. Bundle your supporting documents as advised above. 2. Please do not upload any further written material as the reviewers will not consider these. The written component of your application should be fully explained within the provided form fields. | | |
| **Attach pdf documents** | **Bundle 1 – Support letters from Universities**  **Bundle 2 – Support letters from Partners** |  |