2020 Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellowship Scheme Guidelines, Instructions and Conditions of Award

BACKGROUND

The Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellowships are intended to build research and innovation excellence and to create impact, in strategic priority research strengths at Deakin University. The Fellowships support and develop early career researchers, aiming to enhance our capacity and capability in key research areas and build the next generation of high achieving and internationally competitive researchers.

SCHEME OBJECTIVES

- To recruit or retain early career researchers who demonstrate nationally or internationally outstanding track records relative to opportunity;
- To support talented early career researchers whose areas of research focus align directly with strategic research priorities at Deakin University;
- To further innovative research in areas of strategic importance to Deakin University.

LEVEL AND PERIOD OF FUNDING

The Fellowship provides 2 years of salary support up to the top of the Level B classification (ranges from \$97,398 - \$115,199 per annum¹; current at 2 March 2019). Successful Fellows also receive an annual research support grant of \$15,000, which must be used for direct research costs that relate specifically to the research project. These can include consumables, computers, other equipment and resources and domestic or overseas travel.

Fellowships are generally offered on a full-time basis, however domestic applicants or those who hold permanent residency, may elect to undertake the Fellowship on a part-time basis if they meet the criteria outlined further below.

The part-time option is not available to international applicants due to Australian visa requirements. Part-time fellowships are only available to researchers who have carer responsibilities or personal circumstances such as a medical condition or disability that preclude full-time work. Applicants who wish to undertake the Fellowship part-time must do so at a minimum time fraction of 60% (0.6 FTE) and should note that there are two options for undertaking a part-time Fellowship:

- 1. Residual salary funds can be used to employ a Research Assistant (or similar) to enable completion of the project within the two year period
- 2. Fellows may elect to extend the period of employment commensurate with their time fraction noting that any time-fraction increases during the Fellowship will reduce the duration of the Fellowship. For example, a Fellow who elects to work at 0.8 time fraction (80%) will have 30 months to undertake the Fellowship. If however, the individual increases their time fraction to 100% during the course of the Fellowship, the end date of their contract with the University would be reduced accordingly.

ASSESSMENT CRITERIA

1. Candidate – 40%

- a. Excellence in terms of track record relative to opportunity, including:
 - i. The number, quality and influence of publications and the candidate's authorship contributions;
 - ii. Top three publications (describe their impact on knowledge in the field and/or nature of the innovation, your role, % contribution, number of citations and impact factor of the journal;
 - The number of grants held and the candidate's role (including investigator position) in current or previously funded grants, fellowships, research and development contracts (external and internal considered separately);

¹ Rates are current from 2 March 2019. NB: Successful Fellows will be paid at the first step of the Level B salary scale unless the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Research approves appointment at a higher step within the scale as per the University's Remuneration Procedure.

- iv. The number and standing of relevant competitive prizes and awards;
- v. The number and type of speaking invitations at national or international conferences;
- vi. Research impact, including community engagement, developing intellectual property, research commercialisation and/or contributions to policy or practice;
- vii. The candidate's exposure to and experience in undergraduate and/or HDR student supervision;
- viii. The candidate's contribution to and participation in peer review for grant schemes and/or journal publications;
- ix. Capacity to undertake the proposed research;
- x. Other evidence of emerging leadership.

2. Project Quality, Feasibility & Benefit – 50%

- a. The excellence and significance of the project including:
 - i. the research addresses an important and significant problem;
 - ii. the potential exists to produce important or translational outcomes;
- b. The feasibility of the proposal including:
 - i. The conceptual/theoretical framework is innovative and original;
 - ii. The aims, concepts, methods and results are likely to advance knowledge;
 - iii. The project's design and the candidate's experience create confidence in the timely and successful completion of the project.
- c. The potential benefit of the project including:
 - i. The project will produce significant new knowledge and/or innovative economic, commercial, environmental, social and or/cultural benefit;
 - ii. The project has the potential to lead to further ground breaking discoveries, innovations and/or benefits.

3. Alignment & Research Environment - 10%

- a. The candidate's potential to contribute to and develop areas of research strength, including:
 - i. The candidate demonstrates: how they envisage working within the research environment; how their research project fits and how it will add to the research being undertaken in that area; how their project will contribute to the objectives of the area and; who they aim to collaborate with in the area.
- b. The alignment of the proposed research with existing activity (assessment based on the case made by the host Faculty/Institute or SRC) including:
 - i. There exists a supportive and high quality world class research environment for the candidate and their project;
 - ii. The necessary facilities exist to ensure the successful conduct of the project;
 - iii. The host area provides exceptional collaborative and mentoring opportunities for the applicant.

ELIGIBILITY

Applications are open to both Deakin University and external applicants subject to the criteria listed below.

PhD Award Date

Applicants must have been awarded a PhD² on or after 1 January 2016 or, together with allowable career interruptions, have an award of PhD date that would be commensurate with a PhD Award Date of 1 January 2016 (refer Career Interruptions for Eligibility Purposes below).

Applicants must hold a Doctorate of Philosophy in a relevant field of research or must have evidence of having submitted their thesis for examination by **1 September 2019**. In the latter case, formal evidence of PhD submission (eg. confirmation of submission on University letterhead) must be provided as an attachment to the Application. Applicants should carefully note the Conditions of the Award pertaining to the offer of a Fellowship as all Fellowship offers are contingent on the applicant providing evidence of having qualified for the award of a PhD by **31 December 2019**.

² PhD award date is defined as the date on the testamur.

Career Interruptions for Eligibility Purposes

Career Interruptions or breaks are defined as a prolonged interruption to an applicant's capacity to work due to pregnancy, carer responsibilities, major illness or injury and/or unemployment. For the purposes of eligibility, a period of Career Interruption is defined as a continuous absence from work for 28 calendar days or more, and/or continuous, long-term, part-time employment that has been formalised with the applicant's employer with the absence amounting to (a total of 28 calendar days or more.

Please note that each period of career interruption being claimed must:

- not be counted twice if there is overlap with another career disruption
- can only include periods before the close date
- must involve a continuous absence from work of 28 calendar days or more
- and/or demonstrate continuous part-time employment (with defined % full-time equivalent, FTE) due to circumstances defined as a career interruption, with any absence amounting to a total of 28 calendar days or more.

Applicants must document any career interruptions relevant to their eligibility in the table provided in the "Career Break Calculator" which forms part of the Application template. Applicants will need to provide official documentary evidence in English or an authorised English translation of such documents to substantiate claimed career interruptions.

Examples & Notes re Career Interruptions:

- 1. An applicant awarded a PhD on 1 January 2015 can demonstrate they were on parental leave for 12 months is <u>eliqible</u>.
- 2. An applicant awarded a PhD on 01 January 2015 can demonstrate a career interruption of 6 months is ineligible.

Citizenship

Applicants can be Australian or non-Australian citizens. The appointment of Fellows who do not hold Australian citizenship or permanent residency status will be subject to Deakin University receiving sponsorship for residence approval from the Australian Department of Immigration and Border Protection and the recipient being granted an appropriate visa. (Refer also "Conditions of Award"). Some applicants may be affected by Australia's Autonomous Sanctions requirements. (Refer to "Conditions of Award")

Existing or Past Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellows

A past or present Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellow cannot hold a second or subsequent Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellowship. There is no provision within this scheme for the extension of existing Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellowships.

Other Deakin Employees

Applicants currently employed at Deakin University (other than existing or past Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellows) are eligible to apply if they meet all other eligibility requirements. Deakin University applicants with any outstanding reports to any funding body or for any internal schemes are ineligible.

APPLICATION AND ASSESSMENT PROCESS

- 1. Applications must be submitted using the template provided via Deakin Recruit;
- 2. Applicants should ensure that their proposal can be easily understood by academic researchers outside their discipline area as the assessment process will involve assessors from a range of research disciplines;
- 3. Applications will be assessed against the selection criteria by the relevant Faculty in consultation with their Research Institutes or Strategic Research Centres for competitiveness and alignment with strategic University research priorities. NB: If an Institute is not associated with a Faculty, that Institute's applications will be assessed by that Institute. Applications deemed highly competitive will be referred to the University Research Advisory Committee for recommendation to the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Research.
 - a. The proposed supervisor may be consulted to comment on the competitiveness of the candidate and their research as well as their future potential
 - b. Faculties/Institutes or SRCs may ask applicants to participate in an interview via SKYPE (or similar) as part of the shortlisting process.

OUTCOMES

Successful Applications

If an applicant is successful they will be notified by email – this constitutes an "informal" offer from Deakin Research. If an applicant accepts the "informal" offer, a "formal" offer will be issued by the Deakin University Human Resources Division (HRD). Only the HRD can issue formal employment offers and employment contracts. Successful applicants should not resign from any existing position until a "formal" offer is accepted and signed and its receipt acknowledged by the University *via* the HRD.

Unsuccessful Applications

Unsuccessful applicants will be notified by email but we are cannot provide individual feedback.

FURTHER INFORMATION AND WEB LINKS

See <u>https://www.deakin.edu.au/research/support-for-researchers/find-funding/deakin-university-funding</u> . For queries or clarification on any aspect of this scheme email <u>dvcr-adprf@deakin.edu.au</u>

Date	Event		
Monday 30 September 2019	2020 Round opens: Template available via online recruitment system, Deakin Recruit		
11:59 pm Sunday 10 November 2019 (AEST)	Application closes : Applications must be lodged via Deakin Recruit NB: Late Applications will not be accepted. Referee reports must be lodged via <u>dvcr-adprf@deakin.edu.au</u>		
By Friday 20 December 2019	Faculty, Institute Assessment and Ranking provided to <u>dvcr-adprf@deakin.edu.au</u>		
By Friday 10 January 2020	Deakin Research provides collated Assessment and Ranking information to University Research Advisory Committee members		
13 to 17 January 2020	University Research Advisory Committee meeting (to be confirmed) Successful applicants determined		
By Friday 24 January 2020 (tentative)	Applicants notified of outcome by Deakin Research (informal offer)		
By 7 February 2020 (tentative)	Applicants issued formal offer by Human Resources Division (formal offer)		
On or before 31 March 2020	Domestic applicants commence Fellowship		
By 30 June 2020	Last commencement date for international applicants (subject to pre-approval by Deputy Vice-Chancellor Research		

KEY DATES

WEB LINKS AND CONTACT DETAILS

Further information on research within each Faculty/Institute/SRC is available via the links provided in each table:

List of Contacts: Faculties

Faculty	Contact details	Further Information on Faculty research areas
Arts & Education	artsed-research@deakin.edu.au	https://www.deakin.edu.au/students/faculties/artsed/research
Business & Law	blresdev@deakin.edu.au	https://www.deakin.edu.au/buslaw
Health	healthrs@deakin.edu.au	https://www.deakin.edu.au/health/faculty-research
Science, Engineering & Built Environment	sebe-research@deakin.edu.au	https://www.deakin.edu.au/sebe

List of Contacts: Research Institutes

Further information on research within each SRC/Institute is available via https://www.deakin.edu.au/research/research-groups/institutes-and-centres

Institute	Contact details	Further Information
Applied Artificial Intelligence Institute (A2I2)	a2i2@deakin.edu.au	https://www.deakin.edu.au/a2i2
Alfred Deakin Institute (ADI)	adi@deakin.edu.au	https://www.deakin.edu.au/adi
Institute For Frontier Materials (IFM)	robin.t@deakin.edu.au	https://www.deakin.edu.au/ifm
Institute for Health Transformation (IHT)	health-transformation@deakin.edu.au	https://www.deakin.edu.au/iht
Institute for Mental and Physical Health and Clinical Translation (IMPACT)	impactsrc@deakin.edu.au	https://www.deakin.edu.au/impact
Institute for Intelligent Systems Research and Innovation (IISRI)	IISRI-enquiries@deakin.edu.au	https://www.deakin.edu.au/iisri
Institute for Physical Activity and Nutrition (IPAN)	ipan@deakin.edu.au	https://www.deakin.edu.au/ipan

NB: For the purposes of the Assessment Processes the following affiliations apply:

- Faculty of Arts and Education ADI
- Faculty of Health IHT; IMPACT and; IPAN
- All other Institutes are considered independent of a Faculty

List of Contacts: Strategic Research Centres:

Further information on research within each SRC/Institute is available via http://www.deakin.edu.au/research/institutes-and-centres

Strategic Research Centre	Contact details	Further Information
Research for Educational Impact (REDI)	redi@deakin.edu.au	https://www.deakin.edu.au/redi
Centre for Social & Early Emotional Development (SEED)	SEED-admin@deakin.edu.au	https://www.deakin.edu.au/seed
Centre for Integrative Ecology (CIE)	natasha.kaukov@deakin.edu.au	https://www.deakin.edu.au/cie
Centre for Regional and Rural Futures (CeRRF)	directorcerrf@deakin.edu.au	https://www.deakin.edu.au/cerrf
Centre for Cyber Security Research (CSRI)	damien.manuel@deakin.edu.au	https://www.deakin.edu.au/csri
Centre for Sports Research (CSR)	 Sports Science - natalie.saunders@deakin.edu.au 	https://www.deakin.edu.au/csr
	 Sports Management - <u>david.shilbury@deakin.edu.au</u> 	

NB: For the purposes of the Assessment Processes the following affiliations apply:

- Faculty of Arts and Education REDI
- Faculty of Health SEED
- Faculty of Science, Engineering and Built Environment CIE; CeRRF and; CSRI
- NB: CSR is affiliated with both the Faculty of Health and the Faculty of Business and Law. Applications associated with this SRC will be allocated to the most appropriate Faculty depending on the nature of the proposal

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Applicants should:

- 1. Determine which Faculty, Research Institute or Strategic Research Centre (SRC) aligns most closely with their research interests and contact that area to ascertain whether their proposal is aligned and would be supported (refer to the Web Links and Contact Details section).
- 2. Identify a preferred supervisor based on the alignment of their research interests and area of expertise
- 3. Complete and submit the Application via Deakin University's online recruitment system, Deakin Recruit on or before the due date.
 - 1. Applicants must follow any submission or formatting requirements and must upload the required Attachments.
 - 2. Only one Application per applicant will be accepted.
 - 3. The Application will be forwarded to the nominated Faculty, Research Institute or SRC for review and assessment.
- 4. Request a referee report from each of their nominated referees (maximum two).
 - Referees should submit their statements to <u>dvcr-adprf@deakin.edu.au</u> on or before the due date (refer to Key Dates section).Late Applications will not be accepted.

Application Formatting Requirements

The following formatting specifications are <u>compulsory</u>. Failure to comply with any of these instructions may render your application ineligible.

Application Templates: Applications must be prepared using the online submission form and the 2020 templates.

- Do not alter page formats, margins, line and character spacing, or font type and sizes.
- Do not add attachments other than those requested.

Attachments: Font size should be 11 point Calibri margins should be 2cm on all sides and line spacing set to single.

PDF: The word templates should be converted to pdf and not scanned. The application must not exceed 5 Mb in size.

False or Misleading Information

All information provided in the application including publication data and the status of a PhD qualification must be current at the time of submission. If Deakin University considers that an application contains false or misleading information, the application will be excluded from further consideration or, if an offer has been made, the offer will be withdrawn.

NB: Those <u>applying</u> for a 2020 Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellowship who have requested fellowship support³ from other sources may submit the same project to the Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellowship scheme, provided full disclosure is made under (Research Support) in the Application form.

Acknowledgement of Receipt

Deakin University will acknowledge receipt of all applications via their online recruitment system, Deakin Recruit. Referee Statements will be acknowledged by return email to the sender. We will attempt to do this within two working days of receiving the document. If you do not receive an Acknowledgement of Receipt for your Application within two working days, please send a "Request for Confirmation of Receipt of ADPRF Application [your surname]" to <u>dvcr-</u>

³ Fellowship support includes, but is not limited to, any NHMRC or MRFF Fellowship scheme, the ARC Discovery Early Career Researcher Award or other forms of funding that provide salary support for the recipient.

<u>adprf@deakin.edu.au</u>. Applicants are advised to retain a copy of their application. Please note that, if an applicant wishes to check whether a referee has submitted a statement, they should contact the referee.

How to complete the Career Break Calculator (for Eligibility Purposes):

In the Application template, provide details of the type and duration of your career interruption. Interruptions of less than 1 month are not considered. NB: Total working time (FTE) must be less than 4 years post PhD conferral (NB: rows can be added as required)

Date	Time fraction	Reason	No. of months	No. of years	*Effective FTE (in years)
e.g., 1 Jan 2015 - 31 Dec 2015	0	Maternity leave	12	1	0
e.g. 1 Jan 2015 – 25 Jun 2019	0.6	Carer responsibilities	42	3.5	2.1
Total effective FTE in years, since PhD conferred					2.1

* FTE (in years) is calculated as follows: time fraction x no. of years

CONDITIONS OF AWARD

All Conditions of Award and mandatory and non-negotiable.

NB: The Human Resources Division will issue any formal offer of employment and can advise successful fellows on matters such as superannuation, leave entitlements, relocation allowance, immigration requirements and intellectual property provisions.

Employment Conditions

- 1. All Fellowship offers are contingent on the applicant providing evidence of having qualified for the award of a PhD by 31 December 2019.
 - a. If a successful applicant cannot provide proof of their qualification by this date the offer will be withdrawn.
- 2. All conditions of employment are governed by the Deakin University Enterprise Agreement 2017 or any subsequent Enterprise Agreement.
 - a. Deakin Research will provide a taxable salary at Level B of the University's Academic salary scale for the two years of the Fellowship.
 - b. The appointee will be required to participate in the relevant superannuation scheme.
- 3. Fellows must become employees of Deakin University and must be physically based at a Deakin University campus.
- 4. Fellowships undertaken on a full-time basis are of 24 months duration and there is no provision for any extension beyond 24 months.
- Domestic applicants or those with permanent residency can undertake the Fellowship on a part-time basis. This option is not available to international applicants who will require a temporary visa to undertake the Fellowship if successful.
 - a. There are two options available to those able to approved to undertake the Fellowship part-time
 - i. A Fellow may elect to use any residual salary savings to employ a Research Assistant (or similar) to fast-track their career
 - 1. In this case, the Fellowship must be completed within the 2 year period
 - ii. A Fellow may elect to extend the duration of the Fellowship commensurate with their nominated time fraction (the minimum time-fraction being 0.6 or 60% of full-time). These Fellows must complete the Fellowship in the duration specified in their contract unless they

choose to increase their time-fraction at some point in which case the duration of the Fellowship will be reduced commensurate with the revised time fraction.

- 1. Fellowships undertaken at 0.6 FTE will have a duration of 40 months.
- 2. Fellowships undertaken at 0.8 FTE will have a duration of 30 months.
- 6. All ADPRF recipients must take any annual leave entitlements during the term of the Fellowship as the Fellowship cannot be extended to cater for accrued leave.
- 7. Most appointments should commence by 31 March 2020.
 - a. In exceptional circumstances, the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Research may approve a delayed start date which must not exceed the 30th June 2020.
 - i. This provision is primarily made to accommodate international applicants whose commencement is delayed due to visa requirements.
- 8. An Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellowship (ADPRF) recipient who is not an Australian citizen must obtain a legal right to work and reside in Australia for the duration of the award.
 - a. Successful applicants are responsible for all visa costs associated with their appointment (except the "Nomination Fee" which is borne by the relevant administrative area).
- 9. The work performance of Fellows will be reviewed annually in accordance with the University's Deakin Achieve process. Under the Fellowship, ADPRF recipients have reporting obligations (see the 'Reports' section below). Fellows who do not provide the required reports may face disciplinary action.
- 10. Requests to vary the fellowship for any reason must be discussed with the relevant Head of budget centre before being submitted to Deakin Research Grants for consideration by the Deputy Vice-Chancellor Research.

International Considerations

- 11. Autonomous Sanctions applicants who are citizens of the following countries may be affected by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) requirements in relation to Autonomous Sanctions: North Korea, Iran, Libya, Myanmar, Russia/Ukraine, Syria, The Former Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, Zimbabwe⁴. If successful, an application from a citizen whose country is subject to Autonomous Sanctions will be asked to provide additional information to satisfy DFAT requirements. Applications or applicants that do not satisfy DFAT requirements will be deemed unsuccessful.
 - a. Applicants should check the DFAT website as the list of countries affected by Autonomous Sanctions is regularly updated.
- 12. Applicants, particularly those who will have to relocate to take up a Fellowship, should carefully assess their ability to manage on the income provided prior to submitting an application or accepting any Fellowship offer.
 - b. There are <u>no</u> additional allowances to support recipients for unanticipated living expenses. For example, those on temporary visas may be obliged to have private health insurance and are not eligible for Centrelink payments or childcare rebates. These applicants are strongly advised to consider matters such as childcare availability and cost, health insurance costs and accommodation costs as the salary support provided under this scheme is fixed and there are no additional funds or allowances available to cover unanticipated expenses incurred by individuals

Duties

13. Fellows are expected to focus on research for the duration of the Fellowship however Fellows may be required to undertake other duties for up to 6 hours per week (*e.g.* teaching duties, committee representation) as this constitutes an important part of the Fellow's career development. This is calculated on a pro-rata basis for part-time fellows. It is essential that recipients be located at a Deakin University campus in order to undertake such duties.

Research Support Grant

⁴ This list is current at 3 May2019, applicants should check the DFAT website at <u>http://dfat.gov.au/international-relations/security/sanctions/sanctions-regimes/Pages/sanctions-regimes.aspx</u> for a current list of countries affected by Autonomous Sanctions

- 14. A Research Support Grant of \$15,000 per annum will be provided from commencement of the Fellowship.
 - a. The Research Support Grant must be used according to the submitted budget for the direct costs of the research only.
 - b. The research support grant <u>cannot</u> be used to supplement the researcher's salary, for relocation costs or other cost of living expenses, or any other costs not directly related to the Fellow's research.
- 15. The Research Support Grant is designed to provide 'start up' funds to allow Fellows to establish their research in the host area. The funds must be used within each 12 month period of the Fellowship however small amounts of residual funding can be carried into the second year of the Fellowship.
 - a. Requests to roll over amounts larger than 50% of the total allocation from Year 1 to year 2 must have been discussed and approved by the relevant Head of budget centre prior to any request to carry forward the funds.
- 16. Any unspent monies must be returned to Deakin Research at the conclusion of the Fellowship or at the time of its termination.

Overlap with other Fellowship Schemes

- 17. Fellows cannot hold a concurrent paid appointment.
- 18. The Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellowship cannot be held in conjunction with another fellowship.
 - a. Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellowship recipients who, during the term of their Fellowship, apply for Fellowship support⁵ from an alternate source under Deakin University auspices and are subsequently awarded the alternate Fellowship are expected to relinquish their Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellowship and accept the alternate award in order to commence the new Fellowship without having to seek approval from the relevant funding body to delay their start date.
 - i. For example, an Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellow recipient commences in January 2020 and applies for ARC DECRA 2021 funding (hosted by Deakin) and is successful. They must relinquish the Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellowship and commence the DECRA without having to postpone the commencement of the DECRA ie they cannot delay the start of the DECRA in order to 'finish' the Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellowship.

Research Integrity

- 19. All research must comply with the *Australian Code for the Responsible Conduct of Research (ACRCR)* and any University Policies and Procedures.
 - a. Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellows are responsible for ensuring compliance and that they have appropriate ethics clearances prior to commencing their research project. Fellows must successfully complete any mandatory training appropriate to their project (including mandatory refresher courses as applicable) and are strongly encouraged to complete the "Research Integrity" induction module which covers the ACRCR and other matters such as privacy and copyright. Information on this and other Research Integrity training is available at http://www.deakin.edu.au/research/researcher-support/integrity-secure/induction-and-training
 - i. Existing Deakin University staff who are up to date with the training requirements applicable to their project are not required to repeat the training except as required for refresher purposes.

Reports

- 20. A progress report is required 12 months from the commencement of the fellowship. The report must be prepared using the template (and associated instructions) available on the Deakin Research Grants website: https://www.deakin.edu.au/research/support-for-researchers/manage-a-project
- 21. A final report is required two weeks before the fellowship is due to end. The report must be prepared using the template (and associated instructions) available on the Deakin Research Grants website:

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https://www.deakin.edu.au/research/support-for-researchers/manage-a-project

22. If an Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellow elects to relinquish their Fellowship prior to the official end date, a final report is required two weeks before leaving the position.

Performance Management and Termination

23. Alfred Deakin Postdoctoral Research Fellows are subject to all conditions outlined in the University's Enterprise Agreement 2017 or any subsequent Enterprise Agreement. It is up to the relevant Head of budget centre to implement appropriate procedures if a Fellow is identified as having unsatisfactory performance. The Deputy Vice-Chancellor Research must be informed of any Fellow whose performance is considered unsatisfactory and kept informed of the progress of any process being implemented to address concerns.