Funding My Research

http://www.rmit.edu.au/staff/research/funding
Research Support and Performance (RSP)

http://www.rmit.edu.au/research/support

- Principal interface between the RMIT research community and national and international funding agencies
- Identifies and promotes funding opportunities
- Provides assistance with development of research funding applications
- Submits applications to funding bodies
- Coordinates communication between funding agencies and RMIT
- Administers successful grants, fellowships, contracts and agreements
- Assists with creation of research accounts (internal orders)
- Facilitates grant transfers between institutions
- Supports researchers in meeting legal and reporting requirements
- Organises and run seminars, workshops including Research@RMIT
- Assists with the review and execution of external funding agreements
Identifying Research Funding Opportunities

http://www.rmit.edu.au/staff/research/funding

- Research Alert

- Sponsored Program Information Network (SPIN)
  http://www.rmit.edu.au/staff/research/spin

- Community of Science (COS)
  http://www.cos.com/

- Major funding schemes calendar
  http://www.rmit.edu.au/research/alert/calendar

- Internal funding schemes (Schools, Colleges & RMIT)
How To Apply For Funding *(Pre Award)*

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- Read the funding rules/guidelines carefully and adhere to them
- Consult your RSP research grant development officer in your college at an early stage
- Observe College and RSP deadlines
- Pay attention to costing - use RMIT costing and pricing model
- Other costing information: http://www.rmit.edu.au/staff/research/costing
- Secure matching funds and seek additional cash/in-kind funding support if possible
- Obtain and attach supporting letters if required
- It is RMIT policy that all research applications for external funding be signed off by the DVC (R&I) and Vice President on the **Research Application Coversheet** and the application itself (if applicable). Coversheet must be completed and signed by applicant and head of school
- Online submissions should still be processed by R&I and coversheet still needs to be completed, signed and submitted.
After Funding Has Been Awarded (Post Award)
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Post Award processes commence once the funding agreement with the funding body is fully executed…

- All Research projects are recorded in the Research Master Database (RM)
- All successful outcomes should be communicated to the relevant funding administrator
- The Lead researcher is responsible for the day to day operations and project management of their Grant/Contract Research.
- All Contractual documents related to Research will be signed by the DVC, R&I or delegate. Signatures will be obtained by RSP
- Financial Services Group/School Finance Managers are responsible for invoices, assisting with the financial administration of the project, completing financial acquittals when required and following up of overdue invoices > 30 days
- The Post Award Team assists with the administration of Post Award procedures and processes to completion of the project e.g.
  * Ensuring the legal obligations of Funding Agreements/Contracts are met
  * Submitting reports/milestones on time
- Is a variation required?
Professional Development Program 2011

http://www.rmit.edu.au/staff/professionaldevelopment/research

- Research Ready: applying for external research funding (31 March)
- Research Ready: managing your projects finances (15 April)
- How to prepare a good ARC rejoinder (16 May)
- Research funding opportunity databases (27 May)
- Research funding opportunities: beyond the ARC and NHMRC (10 August)
- Research Ready: how to prepare a grant budget (25 August)
- ARC Linkage Projects Scheme: information seminar (2 September)
- ARC Discovery Projects Scheme: information seminar (17 October)
- ECR@RMIT workshop 5: grant writing (4 November)
- Early Career Researcher Network