

Module 2.1: Pre-award Grant Processes

The aim of this module is to provide an overview of research funding administration (Pre-Award) from conception to outcome of a funding application. Particular focus will be given to understanding the context and processes for sourcing and applying for competitive funding.

Specifically, this module is aimed at assisting participants to understand institutional culture, provide support to prepare the researcher for funding applications, and build awareness of the funding opportunities and support available. It shows how the research manager has an active role in advising and administering funding application development, submission and assessment.

The focus of this module is given to competitive research funding sources. As such, real examples of current practices from across the sector are used as examples.

Key learning outcomes

On completion of the module, participants will have increased ability to:

- Provide targeted support to their researchers in their finding and applying for funding, including anticipating and overcoming barriers to obtaining funding
- Assist researchers to design a plan for developing and resourcing a quality application
- Implement training mechanisms that inform researchers of developmental opportunities and processes
- Support best practice for pre-award funding processes

Who should attend?

This module is suitable for those who are new to the research management profession, those who have specialised in one area of research management and wish to broaden their knowledge, and/or those who are experienced research managers but wish to refresh their knowledge in a specific topic area.

Research managers and administrators from all organisations and institutions will benefit from this module including those from:

- Research agencies and institutes
- Medical research institutes
- Research and development corporations
- Research centres
- Government departments
- Funding bodies
- Industrial research and development teams
- Service providers
- Commercialisation bodies; and
- Consultancies

This is an elective module for individuals completing the ARMS Foundation Level Accreditation Program in all regions. Each module can also be taken as a stand-alone unit for professional development purposes.