

Frequently Asked Questions

ABOUT THE DIFFERENT AWARDS

Is the 'Teamed Up' Award 2 x \$5,000 grants?

Yes, individuals apply for this award separately and can access up to \$5,000 each which is \$10,000 amongst the team.

Teamed Up is my first preference. Is this OK or do I have to nominate the Superstar first?

Everyone is going to be considered for the Superstar. If Teamed Up (or any other award) is your first preference, select this as '#1'. You just need to include the Superstar somewhere in your order of preference.

We have a team of 4. Can we apply as 2 x teams of 2?

Yes, you could form two teams if you like. Alternatively all four people can nominate to be part of the same team, and if 2 members are highly ranked they may be offered the Teamed Up award.

Are current students eligible for the Bright Spark Award?

If they will complete their course by 31 December 2018. This award is meant for individuals who have recently graduated (within the last 2 years) when they travel, so can be interpreted as officially graduating or successfully completed your course between 1 July 2016 and 31 December 2018.

ABOUT THE EVENTS

Can I go on multiple trips?

Yes - it is up to you to make a case about the events you want to attend and to work within a budget. You would need to explain all trips in the information you provide relating to the 'Travel Ready' criteria.

Do I have to go to one of the events on the Events Fact Sheet?

No. You can identify a different event. You need to make a case about why it is right for you, your product and commercial focus.

ABOUT THE BUDGET

Why do we need to do a budget? Why are there restrictions on how we spend the money?

The budget shows that you are clear about the event and costs associated with your application, and that you are aware that you are applying for taxpayers funds that need to be spent on appropriate activities.

Can I include advertising costs?

You could include these as 'Marketing and event collateral' co-investment.

Can I include the cost of monitors, consoles, furniture etc. in booth cost?

It would be reasonable to hire these types of items for a booth rather than travelling with them. Capital expenditure (i.e. purchasing assets) is not encouraged.

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How do I know what to put in the 'funding source' column?

Your spreadsheet should give you drop down options. For some items you can choose to use grant money or co-investment. For some you can only use co-investment. Check the Financials Fact Sheet if you are not sure.

What happens if the costs change between the time I do my budget and the time I travel?

Your budget is an estimate. It is your best assessment and we know that the costs might change. If you receive funding and your costs change significantly then you would need to talk to us about this to make sure it is OK. If your costs go over the amount we have offered you, then you would pay the shortfall.

How should I go about my budget if the costs I want to include for the 'Teamed Up' Award are different to individual awards?

We recommend you complete your budget to reflect your first award preference. If this is the 'Teamed Up' Award you might for example have costs you split amongst multiple individual budgets. You can make notes in your application and spreadsheet to explain if there are items you would change if you were offered a different award.

Can we divide costs among team members applying for 'Teamed Up'?

Yes, just note this in the budget so that it's clear. If you end up being offered an individual award, you can adjust your budget within the limit of the grant amount that you originally applied for.

Is the budget GST inclusive?

Yes.

Do I need to have an ABN to apply?

No.

What if my budget goes above \$5,000 because I have a few large items?

You should not apply for more than \$5,000 in grant funds. You can split costs between your grant and your co-investment (for example, half the cost of a booth). To do this, simply add an extra, duplicate row in the budget spreadsheet and have one as 'IAP Grants' and the other as 'Co-Investment' funding type.

ABOUT ELIGIBILITY

Am I eligible if I am working for myself and it is a second job?

Yes. This is not uncommon and we expect many candidates will be in this situation.

Would a person working on the application of virtual reality into medical surgery be eligible?

Yes, you would be eligible to apply under Category 4.

Would someone who has some experience (but not a lot) of working in the sector on unpaid projects be able to apply?

Yes, if you can explain clearly the projects you are working on you can apply. You also need to consider how to be competitive. For example, you need to consider the type of event you are ready to attend. A low cost trip to Melbourne Games Week might be the best event for you given the stage you are at in your career.

Can I apply if I am a researcher at a university working on the application of VR?

Yes, you would be eligible to apply under Category 4 or 5 (see the Games Industry Work Fact Sheet). You would need to make sure you explained how the research would translate into commercial outcomes.

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ABOUT THE APPLICATION

Is it OK to provide my CV as a URL to my LinkedIn page?

No, do not assume that the assessors will look at websites. Provide everything you want them to consider in the application form. You can include a 1 page CV (PDF) in the attachments.

Do letters of support help?

You can include letters of support in your attachments if you like. If they help you show strength against the selection criteria then they would be a valuable way of validating what is in your application. But they are not required.

ABOUT THE PROCESS FOR IAP

What is considered a conflict of interest for the assessors and how are these managed?

Conflicts of interest arise when someone has (or is perceived to have) a personal or financial interest in the outcome. Assessors are asked to identify conflicts and will not be allocated applications if they are not sure they can assess them impartially. In a small industry conflicts can easily arise, and for this reason we will have multiple assessors to draw on, and most assessors will be based outside of Western Australia. No one who is an applicant will be an assessor.

How will the commercialisation training work? What could it involve?

JTSI will finalise the commercialisation training offer once we know who are successful candidates are and where they might get benefit. Example areas might be pitch training, capital access or marketing.

How will the successful candidates find out about the commercialisation training?

JTSI officers will talk to the successful candidates after we make offers.

When will I know if my applications has been successful or not?

We are aiming to offer by the end of December 2018. It could be early January and if you are unsuccessful, this is likely to be confirmed in January or February 2019.

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