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ACGR Guiding Principles for Assessing Requests for Project Funding

ACGR does occasionally consider ad-hoc approaches for project funding support. These will be considered on a case-by-case basis. contact the Executive Director for further information exec@agr.edu.au.

All requests to the Australian Council of Graduate Research to fund projects/activities will be assessed using the following guiding principles.

Any request for funding is to be forwarded to the Executive Committee for consideration based on a set of guiding principles.

- Consideration of ACGR finances:
 - ACGR must maintain an operating surplus of \$200,000 per year.
 - Assessment of how funding the project/activities will affect ACGRs ability to fund ongoing operating expenses and execute activities to support members at present and into the future.
 - To maintain a consistent provision of services to members does support of the project/activities require an increase in membership fees.
- The subject of the project/activities must be of interest to ACGR members.
 - Does the project/activities contribute to the creation of new knowledge, or using existing knowledge in a new way, related to graduate research or is of significant importance to the graduate research community.
- The project/activities must result in the production of an ACGR output that directly benefits members:
 - If funding is requested for the purposes of research, is this research going to lead to deliverables that will directly benefit members and cannot reasonably be funded via other avenues.
 - What opportunities are available for ACGR to develop supplementary resources/activities based on the project/activities to raise funds for ACGR.

All decisions of the Executive Committee are final and further correspondence will not be entered into.