

Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery – Combined PhD/FRACS program

2. FORMAL APPLICATION FORM

(By invitation only, subsequent to a
successful EOI)

The Plastics and Reconstructive Surgery (P&RS) combined PhD/FRACS program application process is by invitation only.

WHO CAN APPLY:

This formal application is to be completed by applicants whose EOI was determined to be successful and have subsequently been invited to submit a formal application by the selection panel.

Please note:

- This program is **open only to candidates** who are already accepted into the Australian Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery SET Program.
- This formal application process is by invitation after approval of EOI applications.
- Once your EOI has been approved and you have been invited to submit a formal application, you must have express support from **up to two supervisors** that they will supervise your PhD. This means you must initiate contact with your nominated supervisor/s to formulate, together, a research topic. The details of this express support and research plan/topic are to be included in this application.
- You must also have express support from your SET head of home supervisor that they support this PhD/FRACS application. Include the name of the supervisor in the form below.
- A maximum of one applicant per year will be accepted into the combined Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery PhD/FRACS program.
- Please **email the completed Application form** to the **Office of ASPS** at: MBS@plasticsurgery.org.au

1. Personal details

All fields marked with * are required. The Application form will not be processed without completion of these fields.

Title	Choose an item.
First name*	
Family name*	

Citizenship Type	Choose an item.
Country of Citizenship	

2. Contact details

Please provide contact details that are valid for at least two months after submission of this form. All fields marked with * are required.	
Contact phone number*	
Email address*	

1. SET program status

What is your current stage of the SET program?	
When do you propose to commence the combined PhD/FRACS program?	Click or tap to enter a date.

3. Confirmed PhD Supervisor(s)

Please list up to two supervisors who have agreed to support your application:		
	Name	University and Faculty affiliation
Supervisor 1		
Supervisor 2		
Support application	Attached?	Comment
Support application from Supervisor 1 (please attach email or letter)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	
Support application from Supervisor 2 , if applicable (please attach email or letter)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	

4. SET Supervisor support (home unit)

Please list SET home unit supervisor and support application:		
	Name	Teaching hospital
SET supervisor		
Support application	Attached?	Comment
Support application from SET supervisor (please attach email or letter)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	

5. Research project and proposal

You are required to submit a detailed research proposal to accompany this application (up to 7 pages). In some instances, you will be invited to discuss your proposed research project with our panel in order to determine whether appropriate resources will be available or to clarify any questions the panel may have.

Detailed research proposal (please attach separate document)

Please refer to the University of Sydney [research proposal guide](#) for an example of the type of information required.

Your detailed research proposal should cover the following:

- Abstract (optional)
- Research background including discussion of previous related published studies in the area
- Significance of your proposed research area - clinical and/or academic
- Hypothesis
- Aims – provided in a list form
- Methods – should directly relate to Aims
- Details relating to any human, animal or other ethics submissions that will be required, and when in the course of the PhD these will be obtained
- Details of statistical analysis to be used
- Location/s of primary clinical or experimental work, noting any issues relating to patients, equipment or other major factors
- Proposed timeline of clinical work and experimental work completion, again, in relation to Aims listed above
- Supervisor names and details
- Scholarship applications
- A very brief description of your academic and professional background (try limit to one paragraph)

Statement by Applicant:

I ACKNOWLEDGE:

- That this formal application does not constitute a formal offer of a place at in the combined PhD/FRACS program.
- That I have been invited to submit this Formal Application by the Australasian PRS Research Network Leadership Group subsequent to my successful EOI.

I HAVE:

- Answered all the questions on this form truthfully

I AGREE TO:

- ✓ Notify the relevant institutions and organisations of any changes to the information I have given in this Expression of Interest.
- ✓ Permit the University, ASPS and/or RACS to conduct a pre-assessment of my academic results when considering my expression of interest.

SUPPLEMENTARY FILES

Please include in your email the following **MANDATORY** attachments:

1. PhD Supervisor/s support (email or letter attached)
2. SET home unit supervisor support (email or letter attached)
3. Detailed research proposal (attached)

Please ensure filenames begin with Family name, and indicate contents. (For example, Smith_CV).