

# Australian Council of Deans of ICT

## ALTA small grants scheme 2018

The purpose of the ALTA small grants scheme is to aid the creation and dissemination of knowledge and evidence-based good practice in higher education for information and communications technologies. The grants are intended to support pilot projects in current challenging areas of practice and theory in ICT higher education

They are intended to support activities that are likely to be subsequently sustainable or externally funded.

**Area of interest :** Applications are invited within the following core ACDICT & ALTA themes areas, however applications outside of these areas, with appropriate motivation and context identified, will be accepted.

- Equity and diversity in ICT education with a need to increase participation by women, and ATSI students.
- Flexible responses to maintaining educational quality under pressure of rapid up- and down-scaling of student numbers
- Education for employability
- University/school interaction, universities and the secondary curriculum
- Collaboration frameworks and collaboration practices in education
- New curricula collaborative design and evaluation: cybersecurity, data science (and the next big things)
- Retention

**Selection criteria:**

Selection will be made by an ALTA working party appointed by ALTA chair and the ACDICT executive, according to the following selection criteria:

- How well the topic fits ACDICT and ALTA goals; novelty; feasibility and quality of methods; importance of question; value of likely output to ACDICT community (a measure of impact).

**Period of work:** 2018-mid 2019

**Amount of money:** up to 4 grants of \$5,000 to \$10,000

Forms of grant suggested (but not limited to):

- Literature review, designed to bring together existing resources relevant to an issue.

- Pilot study, designed to demonstrate capability or suitability of proposed approach (for further external funding bid).
- Scoping study, designed to explore a new issue or concern
- Active workshop

**Grant applications** are free form, however must address the following criteria:

- Problem statement.
- Project participants.
- Summary of proposed project work, and relationship to key existing initiatives.
- Indicative costing
- and include a statement regarding how the proposed project will support a sustainable ongoing initiative.

**Expected outputs:** tangible forms of publication or outreach activity, and dissemination. For example:

- Workshop (can be paid for as a cost within the grant)
- Best practice guidelines publication, such as TEQSA Guidelines collection
- Peer-reviewed journal or conference papers
- Apps, websites [without maintenance on-going funding or work]

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