

Hardie Fellowship Application Form 2026/2027

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Your eligibility

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Have you read the Guidelines?

Before completing this application form, you should read the Guidelines on the Hardie Fellowship website: [Hardie Fellowship Program](#)

Please note:

- All applicants must complete an application, even if applying as a group.
- Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted. An application will be considered incomplete if any member of the group fails to submit or complete their individual application.
- Successful applicants must travel in 2027.

If you have any questions, please email pcd@decyp.tas.gov.au

Confirmation of eligibility

I confirm that I am a:

- Citizen of Australia;
- Permanent employee of DECYP, employed in accordance with the Teaching Service (Tasmanian Public Sector) Award;
- Fully registered teacher with the Teachers Registration Board Tasmania; and
- Working and available to travel in 2027.

Please select below: *

☐ Yes ☐ No

You must confirm that all statements above are true and correct.

Your details

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Name: *

First Name

Last Name

Position title: *

Must be a permanent DECYP employee

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DECYP Business Unit: *

e.g. Schools and Early Years, Development and Support

Workplace/ location: *

School/ unit/ service and location

Phone number: *

Email address: *

DECYP email address preferred.

Are you applying for a fellowship as an individual or as part of a group? *

- ☐ Individual/ solo
☐ Group

If you are applying for a group fellowship, please provide the details of your group members:

Name and DECYP position title of group members. Each group member must complete a separate application.

Your study

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The Department for Education, Children and Young People (DECYP) exists to create *Bright Lives, Positive Futures* by ensuring every child and young person is known, safe, well, and learning.

The department is implementing a new strategy, called **Education TOGETHER**. This strategy sets out four priorities: improving educational pathways and success, strengthening literacy and numeracy, increasing collaboration between schools, and building a sustainable education workforce.

The Hardie Fellowship supports transformational leadership and system-wide impact, with a focus on improving outcomes for learners and the education workforce.

Applicants for the 2026/27 Hardie Fellowship are expected to align their proposed program of study with one or both of the priority themes identified within *Education TOGETHER*:

- **Supporting educational success and clear pathways for students to remain engaged in education and training**
- **Supporting the development of a skilled and sustainable workforce**

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Applicants are invited to propose a program of study that aligns with one or more of the priority themes and associated areas of inquiry. Proposals that demonstrate connections across multiple themes and areas of inquiry are encouraged where these support the intended outcomes of the study.

Supporting educational success and clear pathways for students to remain engaged in education and training

Areas of inquiry may include:

- Flexible and alternative learning provision across all years of schooling
- Access to high-quality inclusive practices that support equitable outcomes for students in rural and regional areas
- Strategies and approaches that improve outcomes for Aboriginal learners
- Targeted approaches that support every student to attend, engage and succeed at school

Supporting the development of a skilled and sustainable workforce

Areas of inquiry may include:

- Building school leaders, strengthening leadership capability, and developing the future school leadership pipeline
- Attracting, developing and retaining expert teachers
- Building teacher knowledge and skills, and strengthening teacher practice through observation, feedback and professional learning

Applications will be assessed according to the degree to which they demonstrate:

- A clear and compelling study focus and rationale aligned with one or both of the priority themes.
- Understanding of DECYP's strategic direction and commitment to *Education TOGETHER*.
- How the proposed study will contribute to the selected focus area(s).
- How the study will positively impact the applicant's professional capability.
- Practical strategies for sharing knowledge and insights gained through the study across DECYP.

Education TOGETHER is scheduled for release in August 2026 and will be communicated through DECYP's usual channels. While it will provide additional context, the information contained in this document is sufficient to support the development of a study proposal.

1. What is the study focus? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 300 words.

Provide a succinct summary of your proposed area of study.

2. What is the rationale? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 1000 words.

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Why are you studying this topic? Are there any compelling statistics or experiences driving you to study it?

3. How will the study contribute to supporting educational success and clear pathways for students to remain engaged in education and training; and/or supporting the development of a skilled and sustainable workforce *

Word count:

Must be no more than 700 words.

Consider how your study aligns to your chosen focus area and demonstrates a commitment to educational attainment.

4. How will the study positively impact your personal capability? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

How will studying in the United States support your own growth?

5. You have returned from the Hardie Fellowship with knowledge that you believe could benefit others. What potential actions would you consider? *

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

Briefly outline steps you could take to evaluate or reflect on what you have learned and potential ways to share it.

Study details and costs

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Course title/ activity and institution *

List all study and professional learning activities planned, and the provider. Enter each activity on a separate line.

Number of study weeks (up to 12) *

Must be a number and no more than 12.

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Study costs

Conduct research to estimate the cost of your proposed study/ course activities (**in Australian dollars**). For group applications, only estimate your portion of the study cost.

Successful applicants will have the opportunity to submit more detailed costs (including flights and accommodation) following their selection.

Study activity (e.g. university course, university aligned conference)

Study activity	Cost (\$)
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$
	\$

Total study cost

Amount

\$

This number/amount is calculated.

Your referees and resume

* indicates a required field

Referee 1

This must be your current manager (e.g. Principal) or, if you are a Principal, your Executive Lead

Name: *

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Last Name

DECYP position: *

Position title and school / unit

Email: *

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DECYP email address

Phone number: *

Referee 2

This referee can be part of any organisation (including DECYP)

Name: *

First Name

Last Name

Position title and organisation: *

Email: *

Phone number: *

Your resume

Please upload a copy of your resume that outlines your qualifications, capabilities and experience.

Recommended size under 5MB *

Attach a file: