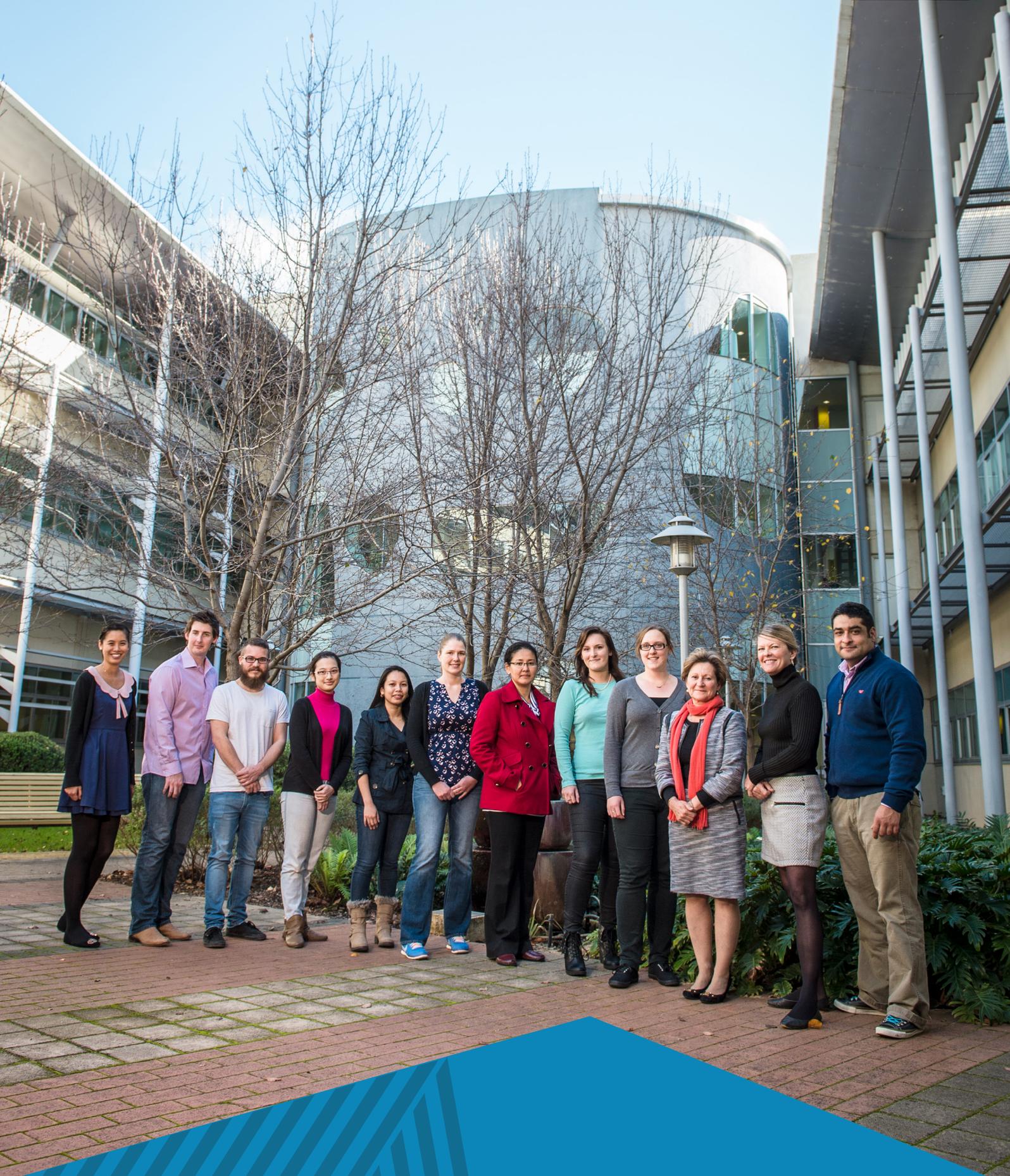


Joint Doctor of Philosophy

Information Pack for Supervisors





Joint PhD Program

Edith Cowan University offers candidates the opportunity to undertake their doctoral studies in partnership with another institution through the Joint PhD program. This option for doctoral studies helps candidates to benefit from shared supervision and facilities, while enabling ECU and the partner institution to build strong collaborative research relationships.

What is a Joint PhD?

The Joint PhD program allows for PhD candidates to enrol at both ECU and a partner institution at the same time, with the flexibility to move between both institutions.

The candidate will designate the university where the majority of their candidature will take place as the 'home' university, with the other university designated as the 'host'. The candidate would have a supervisor at each university and is expected to spend a minimum of one year at each institution, with the actual time spent negotiable between the candidate and supervisors.

Candidates undertaking a Joint PhD would be required to submit their thesis for examination at their appointed home institution.

On successful completion of the degree, the candidate would receive a parchment from each university to indicate the joint candidature, with an inscription acknowledging that the testamurs are being awarded for a single doctoral degree.

Eligibility

Doctoral candidates enrolled in either a standard PhD or an Integrated PhD at ECU are eligible for the Joint PhD option.

Candidates from other institutions seeking to establish a Joint PhD agreement should meet all the criteria for doctoral candidature at ECU as well as their own university.

Benefits to Candidates

- Exposure to different environments and cultures
- Access to a broad range of research cultures across institutions
- Varied training courses, workshops and experiences
- Access to a range of research equipment and technologies
- Networking and future employment opportunities
- Research collaborations and publications

Benefits to Supervisors and Institutions

- Strengthening research collaborations and networks
- Fostering cooperation between researchers within and across disciplines
- Enhance links to strategic partner institutions
- Increased capability to supervise complex research and access to facilities that may only be available at certain institutions
- Access to additional funding sources and scholarships focussing on Joint PhDs
- Joint research publications
- Greater capacity to supervise PhD candidates

If you are a supervisor interested in this program, or in developing a new program with a strategic partner, visit www.ecu.edu.au/centres/graduate-research-school/doctoral-programs/joint-doctor-of-philosophy or contact the Graduate Research School (grs_strategic@ecu.edu.au).

