Australian Teacher Education Association
Early Career Researcher Grant

The ATEA Early Career Researcher Grant is to support an early career researcher (ECR) to develop their capacity by encouraging them to work on a project based around teacher education with a more experienced mid- to late-career teacher education researcher (henceforth, ‘mentor’). The grant will support a research project that can be completed in a one-year timeframe from July, in line with the annual ATEA national conference.

A grant of $500 for research support, as well as free registration for the 2017 ATEA conference will be awarded to the successful applicant.

The successful applicant will be required to present their work at the 2017 ATEA conference and, on completion of the project, is encouraged to seek publication of their work in the Association’s journal, the *Asia-Pacific Journal of Teacher Education* (APJTE). (Submitted articles will be subject to the regular APJTE review processes.)

Written proposals of no more than four pages in total should include the information listed under “Proposal” below. The closing date for applications is 14 February 2016.

Proposal
In no more than four pages, please provide the following information:

1. Applicant’s name and title; role and institution; contact details
2. Mentor’s name and title; role and institution; contact details
3. Project title
4. Project summary
5. Research question/s
6. Research background, rationale and significance
   ○ Include: the context of the research; the background to the research; consideration of relevant background literature; and how the project will contribute to pre- or in-service teacher professional learning
7. Conceptual and/or theoretical framework
   ○ Include a brief account of how the research study will be conceptualised and/or theorised
8. Research method
   ○ Include a description of: what you will do to explore the research question; what types of data you will collect and use; and how you will analyse the data and present the findings

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ECR researchers are those who have been awarded a doctorate within five years, or longer if combined with periods of significant career interruption.
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9. Ethics approval/s, if relevant
   ○ Identify any ethics approval/s that are required, and who is responsible for organising these approvals

10. Timeframe
   ○ Indicate how the project will be completed in a one-year timeframe from July, in line with the annual ATEA conference

11. Budget
   ○ Indicate how the funds awarded will be used to support the research

12. Mentor role
   ○ Outline the role the mentor will play in the project, and the way/s in which their involvement will develop the capacity of the ECR

Conditions
• Applicants must be early career researchers.
• Applicants and their mentors must be current financial members of ATEA.
• The mentor must be listed as a co-researcher.
• The successful applicant must attend the 2017 ATEA conference and present a paper on their research.
• Late applications will not be accepted.
• The judges' decision is final, and no correspondence will be entered into.
• Judges reserve the right not to award grant/s.

Submission
Applications in word or pdf are to be forwarded by email attachment to:
Associate Professor Jeanne Allen: jeanne.allen@griffith.edu.au and Dr Jenene Burke: js.burke@federation.edu.au

Closing date for applications is 14 February 2016. You will receive a confirmation email upon receipt of your application.

Review process
Applications will be reviewed by a sub-committee comprised of members of the ATEA National Executive.

Further information
Please address any inquiries about this grant to Associate Professor Jeanne Allen: jeanne.allen@griffith.edu.au or Dr Jenene Burke: js.burke@federation.edu.au