

# PhD Career Pathway Career Snapshot



## Graduate Opportunities

The knowledge and service economies have driven huge growth in research job opportunities in recent years. There is a significant demand within the private and public sectors for people with deep knowledge, strong research and analytical skills and innovative capabilities.

As academic research careers are competitive, PhD candidates are encouraged to explore opportunities within and beyond academia to optimise their career outcomes. Many PhD graduates have utilised the knowledge, skills and capacities developed during their doctoral studies to create successful careers as high-level knowledge workers in **higher education administration, government, non-government organisations, not for profits and private industry.**

## Career Information and Planning

Here are some resources to support HDR you with the transition from research to the workplace:

- [Vitae – Realising the Potential of Researchers](#)
- [My IDP Science Careers Development Plan](#)
- [The Cheeky Scientist](#)
- [Who are the Top PhD Employers?](#)
- [From PhD to Life](#)
- [Jobs on Toast](#)
- [Science Meets Business](#)

## Career Relevant Experiences

Here are some PhD and Masters by research Internship and grant opportunities:

- [Australian Postgraduate Research \(APR\) Intern](#)
- [Discovery Early Career Research Award \(DECRA\)](#)

## Careers Resources

Here are some of JCU's PhD/HDR specific career resources for your perusal:

- [JCU Higher Degree by Research Resume template](#)
- [JCU Postgraduate Resume template](#)
- [Creating Effective CVs as a Researcher](#)

## Networking and Marketing

Networking can be crucial when sourcing work following or during your PhD. The following resources offer opportunities to share your research, raising your profile and offering advice:

- [Author Hub \(Resources\)](#)
- [Research Gate](#)
- [Advice for STEM PhDs Looking for Work in Industry](#)

## PhD Specific Job Portals

Check out these sites for graduate programmes, graduate jobs, internships and placements:

- [Uni Roles](#)
- [The Uni Jobs](#)
- [Find a Postdoc](#)

## JCU Careers Support

The JCU Careers and Employability Team are here to support you during your studies and after you graduate:

- [JCU Careers Website](#)
- [CareerHub \(Book Careers Appointments Here\)](#)
- [Research Career](#)