

Position Description

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Position Title	Associate, Commercialisation (Business and Social Innovation)
Group/Portfolio	Griffith Enterprise
Classification	HEW 8
Position Number	00061626
Reports To	Head of Business and Innovation / Business and Innovation Manager (Business and Social Innovation)
Employment Type	Continuing

1.0 Position Purpose

Griffith Enterprise (GE) is the commercialisation office of Griffith University with responsibility for developing and driving the University's commercialisation strategy, goals and activities. GE is situated within the Deputy Vice Chancellor (Research) portfolio.

Working collaboratively with the University's research community, business units and industry partners, GE ensures that the University's intellectual property (IP) is protected and commercialised through research collaborations, licencing, start-up investment, social enterprises or other commercial structures leading to economic and social impact.

The Associate, Commercialisation (Business and Social Innovation) will work closely with researchers across the university and the Business and Innovation managers within GE to support and/or identify new commercial partnerships and commercialisation deals of strategic interest to the University. The role will involve project responsibility but also includes working as part of a team.

The role will be responsible for supporting the identification and assessment of new intellectual property and developing, structuring, negotiating, executing, and managing commercial opportunities within the University's portfolio related to Business and Social Innovation.

The role is responsible for successfully supporting designated projects that at times maybe complex in nature, to achieve specified results.

The primary focus includes the University's research capabilities in humanities, social science, criminology, education, arts, tourism and social marketing.

2.0 Eligibility Requirements

A postgraduate degree, or equivalent qualifications, and relevant experience, or an equivalent alternative combination of relevant knowledge, training and/or suitable experience in commercialisation activities related to the area of Business and Social Innovation.

3.0 Key Responsibilities

Under the direction of the Head of Business and Innovation (Business and Social Innovation) or Manager (Business and Social Innovation) carry out the following key responsibilities:

Pipeline Management, Due Diligence and Commercialisation support

- Identify, analyse and assess potential new intellectual property (IP) from Griffith research capabilities and expertise from Griffith research within the Business and Social Innovation portfolio, completing due diligence and market assessments for new disclosures and understanding market trends and industry needs for the portfolio.
- Responsible for activities associated with marketing Griffith research, technologies and IP to potential industry partners and investors. This includes providing support for activities such as drafting of marketing material, social media, technology information packages, deal benchmarking, valuations, deal structuring and negotiations.
- Develop an understanding of research capabilities of Griffith research within the relevant area and manage scenarios, balancing competing needs and interests of academic researchers and industry.
- Build, or assist the manager to build, a pipeline of commercial opportunities in the area of responsibility and support, develop and execute appropriate strategies in relation to this portfolio.
- Identify and support commercial funding opportunities, with support from the manager, as related to the portfolio including the identification of commercialisation grants, investments, proof-ofconcept funding, etc.
- Support and if required lead the identification and negotiation of commercialisation agreements (consultancy & commercial research), opportunities and partnerships.
- Support, as required, consultancy, contract research and commercial collaboration opportunities, and in the case of high-value, complex opportunities, assist with proposals, estimate resource requirements, and negotiation; for low-value opportunities provide support as required.
- Develop relationships with relevant contacts and organisations within industry (incl. government) to enable the identification, promotion and realisation of research commercialisation opportunities – industry engagement
- Support any post-deal management activities as required.

Stakeholder Engagement

- Work collaboratively with Griffith's research and academic community to identify, engage and create commercialisation opportunities and partnerships with external industry, research organisations, and others wishing to commercially use, develop or exploit the University's intellectual property, research expertise and capabilities.
- Engage and build industry networks and relevant contacts to support successful commercialisation of Griffith research.
- Provide support including presentations/workshops for researcher education and training initiatives in the areas of commercialisation, industry engagement, entrepreneurism and intellectual property.
- Provide timely advice and reports, as required, to Griffith researchers about commercialisation and related activities incl. project budgets.
- Work collaboratively with Griffith Enterprise colleagues to report to key internal and external stakeholders to ensure ongoing communication of project milestones and outcomes.

 Support the Office for Research, Advancement, Griffith International, and other University elements when dealing with intellectual property.

Other

- This position may be required to take on other responsibilities, commensurate with the expectations of a role at this level, which contribute to the overall objectives of the work unit.
- Adhere to and support processes and policies, ensuring that required information and data is entered into relevant systems.
- Support compliance with relevant legislation and University policies and procedures, including equity and health & safety and exhibit good practice in relation to same.
- Be a leading example of the principles and values embodied in the University's Code of Conduct, and behave, act, and communicate at all times to reflect fairness, ethics, and professionalism.

4.0 Key Capabilities

Griffith University identifies the attributes of resilience, flexibility, creativity, digital literacy and entrepreneurship as critical to our graduates' success, in the rapidly changing future world of work. We have established a Griffith University Capability Development Framework to provide a common language of some of the non-technical organisation skills that will support our staff to thrive now and into the future. The Capability Development Framework will assist you to understand the current skill level of this position in the non-technical but critical skill domains that are increasingly important in a changing workplace context.

To read about some of the non-technical organisation skills for this position, please see the Leads Others section of our <u>Capability Development Framework</u>.