

## Research Society Fellowship

Fellowship guidelines & nomination form

2020

























# 2020 Fellowship Nominations

Each year the The Research Society considers applications for the special award of the title of Fellow to those members who have made a significant contribution to The Research Society.

Fellowship is the highest honour the Society can bestow on a member, recognising those who have made a significant contribution to the profession over a sustained period.

Current financial full members of The Research Society are invited to nominate a colleague for election as a Fellow of the Society.

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OPEN
Monday, 20 April 2020
CLOSE
Friday, 18 September 2020

### What is Society Fellowship?

The Research Society Fellows have been judged by their peers to have made a substantial contribution to the Australian research profession.

Our Fellows continue to assist the Society and the research profession in Australia through their commitment of time and energy to raising awareness of the value of research within the broad community, and through volunteering their time to various projects which draw on their substantial experience and expertise.

There are currently 72 Research Society Fellows. The award of Fellowship recognises the contribution the nominee has made to the profession across the following important areas:

- sharing practical expertise across the profession;
- providing ethical leadership;
- contributing to research theory, original thought, conceptual structures in marketing, policy formulation or research into these areas;
- increasing the Australian public's awareness of, and understanding of the value of, research; and
- increasing the size and scale of the profession as a whole in a way that benefits the profession.









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### How to nominate?

Candidates for Fellowship must have been a Full Member of the Society for at least the past five years, and be a current Qualified Professional Researcher (QPR).

New Fellows are elected by a process of nomination by Society members and decided by vote by the Fellowship Committee and existing Fellows.

Nominators are required to present the information about their chosen candidate, accompanied by a covering letter, the nomination and the Election of Fellows 2020 declaration forms. The submission should be as concise and complete as possible, addressing the criteria.

- 1. A nominator who is a member of the Society and preferably a seconder who is also a member.
- 2. All mandatory criteria need to be met and checked off.
- As nominator, outline how you feel the candidate has met the criteria of the advancing the principles and practice of research. This can include techniques, research solutions or industry issues.
- 4. As nominator, outline how you feel the candidate has enhanced awareness and understanding of research.
- 5. As nominator, outline how you feel the candidate has enhanced the awareness amongst the public, stakeholders and other groups of the value and ethical practice of research. Impact on research participants, potential clients, the public and government at all levels should be considered.

- 6. As nominator, outline how you feel the candidate has made a substantial contribution to management decision making, original thought and conceptual structures in marketing, policy formation or research either at an organisation level or within the profession as a whole. This may include the leadership of business organisations or research units engaged in research, insights and analytics.
- 7. Detail any long term and significant contribution made by the candidates to the Research Society such as:
  - Research Society Board membership
  - Research Society Board Sub Committee membership
  - Divisional Committee membership
  - Conference Committee membership
  - Similar participation in other organisations that are clearly research related may be considered.
- 8. Nominations must be received online through our Moodle platform or at the address or email below:

CONFIDENTIAL
Fellowship Nominations
Research Society
Level 1, 3 Queen Street
Glebe NSW 2037

Email: elissa@researchsociety.com.au













#### **Election of Fellows criteria**

Fellows of the Society are persons who have professional standing and recognised accomplishment in the fields of research, insights and analytics or related activities. A candidate's contribution should have benefited the profession as a whole; through exposure of ideas and techniques in the public domain; through expansion of the profession into new areas or methodologies; and/or through a contribution to the cohesiveness and perceived importance of the profession. A candidate must meet the mandatory requirements and show sufficient accomplishment under the general criteria.

#### **Mandatory requirements**

- Candidates for Fellowship must have been a FULL Member of the Society for at least the past five (5) years and be a current Qualified Professional Researcher (QPR).
- 2. A person cannot be considered to be a Fellow if they have received a reprimand or other sanction as a result of a breach of the Code of Professional Behaviour within 10 years of nomination or are in the process of resolution of a possible breach.
- 3. The candidate cannot be a serving member of The Research Society Board but may be a member of a State Committee.
- 4. The candidate must indicate their willingness to make an ongoing contribution to the Society if called upon to do so.

#### General criteria

Nominators should explain the candidate's contribution under the following categories.

**Please note:** Each category has a possible 50 points, and in finally confirming a person as a Fellow, current Fellows will be looking for candidates with over 100 points for election.

## 1. Advancement of the Principles and Practice of Research (50 Points)

Contributing to theory and practice underlying research, insights and analytics via published books, refereed papers, conference papers, seminars and workshops. Development and promotion of new or advanced techniques or methodologies. Contributing to the professional development (PD) of researchers, including participation in Research Society and other organisations' PD activities.

## 2. Enhancing Awareness and Understanding of Research (50 Points)

Enhancing the awareness of the public, and other groups of the value and ethical practice of research, insights and analytics. Impact on both potential research participants, potential clients, the public and government at all levels should be considered.

## 3. Development of Market Research in the Corporate or Public Sector (50 Points)

Having made a substantial contribution to management decision-making, original thought, conceptual structures in marketing, policy formation or research either at the level of the organisation or within the profession as a whole. This may include the leadership of business organisations, or research units, engaged in research, insights or analytics. Demonstrated lifelong adherence to The Research Society Code of Professional Behaviour.

#### 4. Service to the Profession (50 points)

Making a significant and long-term contribution to The Research Society via participation in committees at state or national level; organisation of the annual or other conferences, or service on the Board. Similar participation in other organisations that is clearly research-related may also be considered. A retiring President of the Society shall automatically become a Fellow, subject to the other mandatory requirements above.











### **Nomination process**

Each nomination requires a proposer and a seconder, both of whom should be Full members of the Society. The nomination should address the mandatory requirements and general criteria set out above. It is preferable that the pre-prepared forms attached to this document are used to submit nominations.

In the first instance the nomination will be considered by a sub-committee of the Board, who may approach the candidate for further information and confirm their willingness to accept Fellowship. Nominations should contain sufficient information to demonstrate to the sub-committee that there is an a priori case for the candidate to become a Fellow.

Nominations should be marked confidential and sent to The Research Society office.

Fellows have expressed a willingness to assist in advising on the suitability of the nomination. Contact the Chief Executive Officer of The Research Society, Elissa Molloy (1300 364 832 or 02 9566 3100) in the first instance if you would like to talk to someone who can assist.

The nomination for consideration for Fellowship is not an application-based process, and no correspondence will be entered into with those whose nominations have been unsuccessful.

## **Election process**

The final vote on a candidate's suitability for Fellowship will be taken by the current Fellows of the Society. They will be provided with:

- details on each Candidate nominated for Fellowship addressing the criteria set out above
- information summarising the voting criteria, and
- a voting paper to indicate whether they believe that the nominee has achieved the required 100 points, based on the criteria set out above.

### **Announcement of Fellows**

The announcement of awarded Fellowships will be made at The Research Society Awards evening which will be held on 25 November 2020. Details will also be published in the November 2020-January 2021 edition of Research News.







## The Research Society Fellowship Nomination Form



Candidate:	
Nominator Name:	
	Member of The Research Society.
Seconder Name:	
	Member of The Research Society.

## **Mandatory Criteria**

#### All boxes must be ticked:

Full membership of The Research Society for at least the last 5 years

QPR membership current

No breach of nor ongoing investigation of breach of Code of Professional Behaviour in the last 10 years

Not currently on The Research Society Board

Willing to make an ongoing contribution to The Research Society if called upon to do so









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General Criteria Please complete at least 2 below:				
1. Advancement of the Principles of Practice of Research	2. Enhancing awareness and understanding of research			
He/she has been a regular	He/she has worked hard to			
3. Development of research in the corporate or public sector  He/she has made a substantial contribution to	4. Service to the profession  He/she has achieved the following results whilst sitting on			









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Covering letter from nominator Total 400-500 words			
	mmitment to the research profession in Australia throughHe/she meets all of the		
<b>Declaration</b> We verify that all claims made in this nomination are factual.			
I,(nominator)	and I,(seconder)		
Have pleasure in presenting the case for:			
to be admitted as Fellow of The Research Society. In doing so, we recognise that Fellowship is the Society's highest accolade and is an honour reserved only for those who have made a substantial contribution to the profession.			
Signed: Nominator	Signed: Seconder		



Date:







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