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Graduate Research Induction

Orientation & Induction for your research degrees

Deakin provides two main types of induction for research students:

- From 2025: Graduate Research (GR) Orientation program provided by Researcher Development Academy (RDA)
 - Where to find it: In the 'Welcome to Deakin' email sent to you on the first day of your candidature. Look for 'HDR Welcome Session online'
- GR Induction provided by the Institute/Faculty.
 - Session today is hosted by Prof. Truyen Tran (HDR Coordinator; Head of AI, Health & Science)

...more on: HDR Welcome Session via Orientation site

- **Focus on:**
 - Orientation information
 - Getting help:
 - Managing your candidature site
 - Faculty, Research Institutes and strategic research centre support
 - International student support: settling into life at Deakin, complaints, financial difficulties, etc.
 - Digital tools: Deakin card, Deakin library, DeakinSync, Genie, Scout, etc.
 - Health and Wellbeings: Medical clinic, psychological counselling, wellbeing program, security, etc.
 - Study Support: writing support, accommodation, etc.
 - Things all students need to know
- **Mandatory Research Induction**
 - Research induction
 - Research integrity
 - Respect at Deakin

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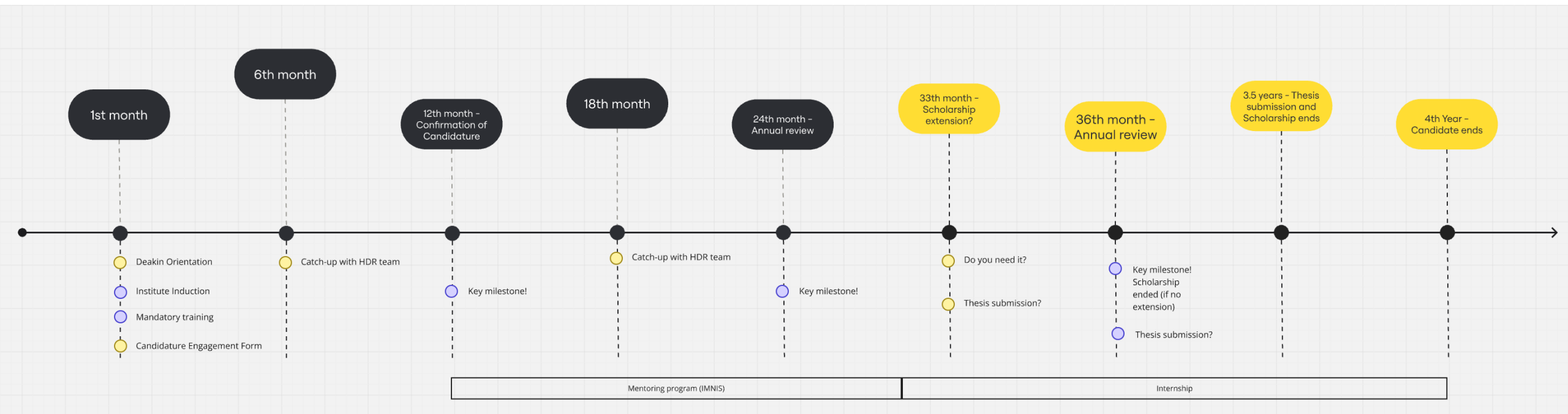
Resources and Funding

- **Office space and access:**
 - A desk space, a computer with access to a range of software products, and internet access.
 - Staff-equivalent access to software, and stationery.
 - A hot desk in a post-graduate area on another campus if they need to travel between locations.
- **Printing:** is free but it is encouraged to utilise environmentally-friendly alternatives to printing
- **Funding:**
 - **HDR support funding:** Each full-time student is entitled to an allocation of up to \$3,500 to use towards research-related activities directly arising from their candidature.
 - **Conference funding:** Each full-time student is entitled to an allocation of up to \$5,000 to attend and present at one conference during their candidature.

Research Nature at A2I2

- Outcome-based – papers, patents, awards
- A PhD is a series of 3-5 small closely related projects -> reflect the same theme
 - By the end of first year, defend your candidature confirmation with 1-2 papers.
 - Less time to wander around
- Intensive training on
 - Computer vision
 - Machine learning
 - Statistics
 - Writing
- Multi-cultural – be mindful of other cultures

Managing your candidature



Managing your candidature

- Changes you can consider:
 - Change of candidature: fulltime to parttime, on-campus to off-campus – not easy to change esp. for international students.
 - Extension of candidature or scholarship
 - HDR leave (Intermission, Annual & Parental)
 - Change of Research topic
 - Change of supervisors
 - Transfer between research degrees.
- Extension: up to 6 months for scholarships.
- Intermission: up to 12 months, research-related reasons
- Annual leave: 20 working days per year.

Reminder

- **Deakin email account:** Most correspondences, both from A2I2 and the University, will be sent to students' Deakin email account.
- Coursework: [SSC900 - Academic Writing and Communication](#). Information can be found in the COE. Automatically enrolled in CloudDeakin.
- Weekly research training
- **Working while studying:** maximum of six hours per week (averaged over a calendar year).