

Griffith Criminology Institute

Collaborations and Partnership Opportunities

The Griffith Criminology Institute (GCI) is a world leader in research and postgraduate education on crime and justice issues. GCI's collaborative spirit has seen us build strong relationships with industry, government and non-government organisations, strengthening research outcomes and community ties. Through collaborative criminology and social justice research, we are finding answers and solutions to society's key challenges.



Partnership benefits

GCI is actively expanding its collaboration and partnership networks to develop long-term strategic alliances. Our partners benefit from:

- Access to world-leading criminology research and one of only three institutions in Australia whose research in the field of criminology is rated as 'well above world standard'—the highest possible rating (ERA 2015 and 2018).
- Access to a breadth and depth of research expertise spanning criminology, sociology, psychology, law, politics, statistics, history, journalism, social work and information technology.
- Access to world class research infrastructure including the [Centre for Investigative Interviewing](#), the [Griffith Youth Forensic Service](#), the [Prosecutions Project](#) and the [Social Analytics Lab](#).
- Delivery of larger scale benefits through cost-effective research.
- Access to Griffith University support including higher degree by research (HDR) scholarships and additional cash contributions.
- Possible eligibility for the Australian Government R&D tax incentive.

There are different ways in which GCI can work together with partners on applied issues.

Consultancy and commercial research

Partners may engage GCI researchers to undertake a defined project with specific deliverables and within an agreed timeline. This is governed by a commercial contract which stipulates the project scope, deliverables and price. Researchers commonly request the ability to publish results in journals and use Intellectual Property generated throughout the project for academic (research and training) purposes.

Griffith University's unique talent and infrastructure ensures the delivery of timely, cost-effective and innovative projects and solutions without compromise. We work closely with our partners to determine the scope and cost of Consultancy and Commercial Research before research begins.

Partnering in competitive grant applications

All types of organisations, including government agencies, industry bodies, research institutions and universities can collaborate with GCI on a project, for which funding is sought through a competitive grant. All organisations would play an important role in conceiving and delivering the program of work.

Different funding bodies offer various levels of funding, ranging from a few thousand dollars to several hundred thousand dollars. Projects need to have academic merit and wide policy/practice benefits and ideally address key challenges and/or fit within strategic priority areas identified by the funding body. Some grant applications may only require in-kind support (e.g. provision of data, advice), while other schemes may require a cash contribution from partners.

ARC Linkage projects

The Australian Research Council (ARC) promotes national and international research partnerships between researchers and business, industry, community organisations and other publicly funded research agencies through their Linkage Program. The ARC Linkage Projects scheme provides project funding of \$50,000 to \$300,000 per year for two to five years. Linkage Projects are also governed by a contract but allow additional Commonwealth funds to be leveraged against the partner's investment.

Almost all Australian and international government, industry and community organisations are eligible to be partner organisations on ARC Linkage Projects. Partner organisations help determine the scope of work and total project budget at the time of application. The combined cash and in-kind contributions made by all partner organisations must at least match the total funding requested from the ARC. Some examples of partner organisation contributions:

- Cash: assigned to specific budget items.
- In-kind: staff time of project personnel; access to facilities, equipment and databases; patents and licences; consumables, materials, software and travel expenses.

Partner organisations who are registered charities, not-for-profit organisations, start-ups or small businesses may be exempt from the requirement to contribute cash support to the project.

More information about the Linkage Projects scheme is available on the [ARC website](#).

Testimonials from our partners

GCI enjoys strong partnerships with a wide range of organisations from across Australia and the world. GCI's reputation as a world-leader in criminological research has seen us collaborate with other universities and academics to build on our research strengths. GCI values the testimonials given by our partners, reflecting their recognition of the importance of sharing knowledge and working collaboratively to advance towards creating safe, well-governed and equitable societies.

"Participating in collaborative projects brings together the experience, knowledge and skills of many agencies and individuals to problem solve complex and persistent systems-level social issues—collective impact in research! Being part of a team and actively contributing to the process enabled Departmental goals to be met in a way that benefited the whole project."

Department of Social Services

"The project has laid some key foundations both at a systems and organizational level that will contribute to improving the outcomes of children growing up in disadvantaged communities."

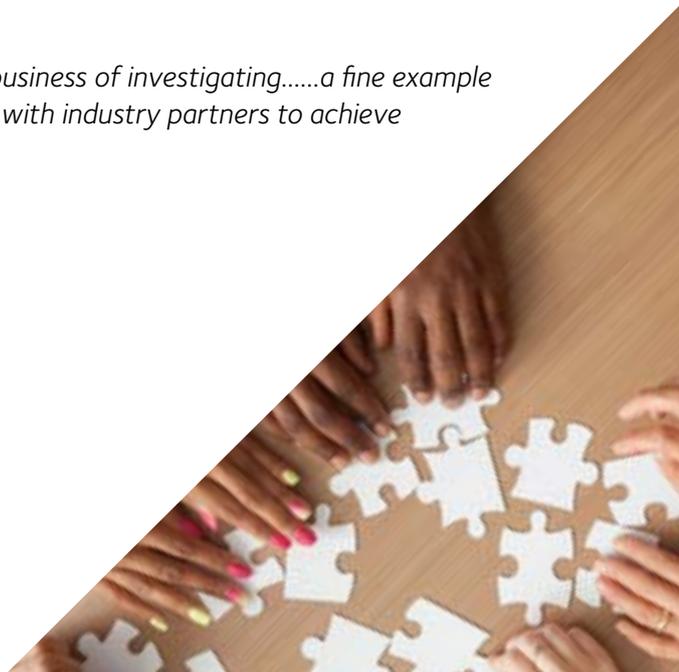
The Smith Family

"Multiple presentations during the course of the project to departmental staff (executive and frontline) on findings—attended by policy makers, practitioners, regional directors, and performance measurement staff—informed critical reflection on directions and buy-in from regional staff."

Department of Communities, QLD

"Ultimately, the research has aided the QPS to get on with the business of investigating.....a fine example of how research institutions are able to successfully collaborate with industry partners to achieve meaningful outcomes."

Queensland Police Service





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