

SCU - Capability Statement Preparation

Some Grant applications require that an **Organisational Capability Statement** be included as part of the submission.

Whilst SCU does not have a standard Capability Statement template (ie as most applications require tailor-made information directly related to the project) the SCU website has ample information that can be collated for such requirements.

What to include in your Capability Statement will be dependent on the Scheme you are applying to, the nature of your project, your discipline area, what you are attempting to achieve and highlight via the Capability Statement etc.

However you may wish to consider the following as a potential Guide to Preparing a Capability Statement:

1. Include a **General Statement introducing SCU** if relevant.

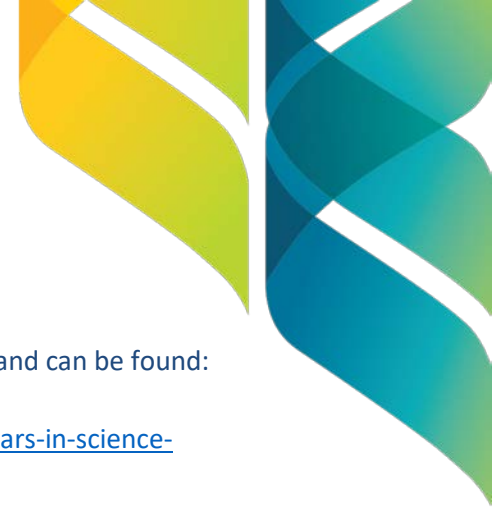
For Example – Southern Cross University is a dynamic university with a vibrant and innovative research program that focuses on issues that are both regionally relevant and globally significant. We work closely with industry, the government sectors, and our community to fulfil this program. With vibrant campuses in northern New South Wales and the southern Gold Coast, we offer undergraduate and postgraduate degrees and many are available in a dynamic online form.

2. Include a **General Statement about SCU's Research capability (if relevant)**.

For Example – Southern Cross University is a leading regional research university, as affirmed in the latest Excellence in Research for Australia (ERA) results released in March 2019. Our research is ranked as “well above world standard” in 14 separate fields of research areas including (**choose one or more relevant options from the list**): *Earth Sciences, Geochemistry, Oceanography, Environmental Science and Management, Ecology, Zoology, Agricultural and Veterinary Sciences, Crop and Pasture Production, Fisheries Sciences, Forestry Sciences, Civil Engineering, Resources Engineering and Extractive Metallurgy, Complementary and Alternative Medicine, Nursing*. **Add a sentence about how this world class research area links to the project if relevant**. See [scu.edu.au/about](https://www.scu.edu.au/about) and [scu.edu.au/research](https://www.scu.edu.au/research) for current statements/phrases etc

If it is the **research profile** you are after, please see the following website and also the *research report* link on this website:

<https://www.scu.edu.au/research/our-research/>



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The ERA media release has a good summary of the **ERA research strengths** and can be found:

<https://www.scu.edu.au/engage/news/latest-news/2019/southern-cross-stars-in-science-engineering-and-nursing-research.php>

General information about **SCU's facts, figures, rankings, awards** can be found at:

<https://www.scu.edu.au/study-at-scu/why-scu/>

For general information about your **School/Centre** please see your School / Centre website:

Eg. For ESE, please see: <https://www.scu.edu.au/school-of-environment-science-and-engineering/>

Eg For HHS, please see: <https://www.scu.edu.au/school-of-health-and-human-sciences/>

For **statistics** (eg student numbers) please see PQR's website:

<https://www.scu.edu.au/staff/planning-quality-and-review/statistics/>

Please consider whether to address how the capability information links to the research project and discipline area for your grant. And remember, this is a marketing document to inform and promote your research / project to the grant selectors! Please ensure that the information is clear and succinct, with no editorial errors or typos etc.

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