



# ACCESSING CREDIT, GRANTS AND FUNDING

FOR A PROJECT EVEREST INTERNSHIP

Every semester, universities battle to cater to the growing industry demand for career-ready graduates. As a result, more and more career-ready and work-integrated learning components, professional practice placements, and interdisciplinary subjects are more accessible than ever.

As a Griffith University student, there are a number of credit, grant and funding opportunities available to you if you undertake an international internship with Project Everest Ventures.

## FUNDING AND GRANTS AVAILABLE

- **New Colombo Plan Funding \$3000.** The New Colombo Plan is open to all Australian undergraduates aged 18 to 28 studying at Australian universities, with capacity to include some students over 28 in New Colombo Plan funded mobility projects. NCP funding is available to eligible students on a Project Everest internship in Fiji.
- **International Experience Incentive Scheme Grant up to \$2500.** Griffith University’s Vice Chancellor dedicates funding each year in International Experience Incentive Scheme grants to assist students with the cost of their overseas program. IEIS grants are available to domestic and international students participating in an overseas program supported by Griffith Global Mobility
- **OS-Help Loan up to \$6,665.** Eligible students can apply for an interest-free OS-HELP loan which is a loan scheme provided by the Australian Government specifically to support overseas study. It is not considered a grant, therefore approved students can receive this loan as well as a grant.

For more information on overseas study grants and financial aid at Griffith, [click here](#).

## CREDIT AVAILABLE

The following Griffith University courses already recognise a Project Everest Internship as an approved subject equivalent or component.

CODE	SUBJECT NAME	FACULTY	DETAILS
3002LFC	<a href="#">Community Internship</a>	Service Learning - <b>All Students</b>	10 Credit Points (FT equiv subject). \$3000 NCP funding is available for eligible students undertaking an internship in on a Fiji project.
3020ICT	<a href="#">Industry Affiliates Program</a>	Information Communication Technology	20 Credit Points (Equivalent to 2 Classes). Minimum placement length: 8 weeks Available Projects: FarmEd & Health Consulting in Dec-Jan or Jan-Feb.

## THE APPLICATION PROCESS AND ELIGIBILITY

All credit, grants and funding is accessed through your university, not through Project Everest Ventures. You will be required to show proof of acceptance into a Project Everest Internship prior to receiving any subsidies or credit recognition.

### *Applying for NCP Funding*

A restricted number of \$3000 NCP Grants are available to eligible students undertaking an internship in Fiji and receiving course credit through one of the above subjects.

Students wishing to access NCP funding must enrol first in the Service Learning unit before then being referred to International Mobility Office and will be assessed for eligibility.

For more information on NCP funding, [click here](#).

### *Applying for an International Experience Incentive Scheme (IEIS) Grant*

As a Short Term Program, you can apply for a travel grant through Griffith University if you receive credit towards your Project Everest internship.

The following eligibility restrictions apply:

Students can receive a maximum of one grant per program.

Students who participate in a second non-contiguous program may be considered for an additional IEIS grant, subject to funding availability.

Students cannot receive an IEIS grant if they are receiving another type of grant (e.g. New Colombo Plan or Endeavour).

All IEIS grant approvals are subject to funding availability. In the event there is insufficient funding available to fund all applicants, reduced funding will be offered or applicants may be unsuccessful.

There are no restrictions on grant eligibility based on when or where your Project Everest internship occurs.

Amounts are determined based on credit point value and length of program. IEIS grants are not based on GPA for these programs, although a minimum GPA of 4.5 is typically required to be supported by Griffith Global Mobility.

For full IEIS Grant information, requirements, restrictions and amount eligibility, [click here](#). Amount <https://www.griffith.edu.au/go-global/funding/grants>

To apply for an IEIS Grant for a Short Term Program, [click here](#).

### *Applying for an OS-HELP Loan*

If you are receiving credit towards your degree during your overseas program, you are eligible to apply for an OS-HELP Loan.

Some of the eligibility requirements for an OS-HELP loan include:

- Being an Australian citizen or hold a permanent humanitarian visa
- Being eligible for HECS-HELP
- Studying full time while overseas for credit which counts towards your program

Visit the below link to see the full eligibility requirements.

For more information, and how to apply for an OS-HELP Loan, [click here](#).

### ***Applying for Community Internship***

This 10CP free-choice elective course is available to all students who have completed a minimum of 80CP of study. It provides an opportunity for students to develop a range of professional and personal skills while making a difference in their community through combining volunteering with academic learning through a community internship organised either by the University or the student may use a current volunteering activity for the 50-hour minimum volunteering component of the course.

Available course credit in your study planner is required to enrol in this subject.

For more information on eligibility, requirements and subject enrolment, [click here](#)

### ***Applying for the Industry Affiliates Program (IAP)***

In order for students to have their internship recognised for credit, they must intern for 8 weeks with Project Everest Ventures on either the FarmEd or Health Consulting project. Interested students must contact and register with the IAP office during the trimester prior to the trimester they wish to enroll in the program. The internship must be done in T3 (Summer session equivalent).

Students should be in the final year of study and must have completed the online registration form, [here](http://www.griffith.edu.au/iap). [www.griffith.edu.au/iap](http://www.griffith.edu.au/iap).

Completion of 80CP of first year level subjects which define the program. Completion of 80CP of second year level subjects which define the program. Cumulative gpa requirements exist for 20CP IAP enrollment. The cumulative GPA requirement for ICT students 5.0.

For more information on eligibility, requirements and subject enrolment, [click here](https://degrees.griffith.edu.au/Course/3020ICT): <https://degrees.griffith.edu.au/Course/3020ICT>

## **FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES**

For more information on overseas study opportunities through Griffith university, visit <https://www.griffith.edu.au/go-global/funding>

For more information on university partnerships with Project Everest Ventures, visit <https://www.projecteverest.ventures/training/credit-and-grants/>