



VICTORIAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE TEACHING OF ENGLISH

VATE is offering an annual collaborative research grant for up to \$5,000 to enable researchers and teachers to work together to conduct collaborative inquiries into significant contemporary issues related to teaching and learning in secondary school English.

**Purpose:**

- To contribute to the development of insight into students' learning in English;
- To promote research collaborations between teachers and researchers;
- To enhance the quality of English teaching through professional learning and research connections;
- To promote and disseminate research related to the teaching of English in contemporary educational contexts.

**Requirements:**

The inquiry will take place during the year and will culminate in a presentation at the VATE or AATE Conference and with a paper ready to be considered for publication in *English in Australia* or another peer reviewed journal.

A representative from the team must attend at least one VATE Professional Learning and Research (PLR) Committee meeting during the course of the year and a written report on progress must be presented to the Committee.

A panel, including one VATE Council member (who is not a member of the PLR Committee), one member of the VATE PLR Committee, and the VATE Education Officer will make a recommendation to Council. The panel reserve the right to make no award if there are no applications which satisfactorily meet the criteria.

Funding can be used for research assistance, travel and accommodation, CRT coverage, transcription and to facilitate meetings. Funds cannot be used for equipment or conference attendance.

**Applications addressing the selection criteria will be submitted to VATE by Thursday 26 April 2018 (date extended).**

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- Applicants must all be VATE members;
- Applicants must include researchers and teachers collaborating across at least two different contexts e.g. different schools, universities or systems;
- At least one of the applicants must show a track record of conducting research leading to publication.

**Selection Criteria:**

- Researchers/teachers work across at least two different educational contexts;
- Capacity of the applicants to conduct collaborative research;
- Strong rationale for the research which relates to teaching and learning in the subject English;
- Potential to contribute insight and/or impact related to teaching and learning English;
- Research plan is well considered and viable and includes a written and verbal report presented to the VATE Professional Learning and Research Committee;
- Reasonableness of budget.

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