

Call for projects: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders Studies and France

The Embassy of France to Australia is looking to support academics, researchers, writers and artists working on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders studies, to promote the further exploration of a shared history and to foster collaborative projects.

About the call

Overview

Australia and France are committed to a strong collaborative agenda with respect to the relationship between France and Aboriginal and Torres Strait communities. On the 2nd of May 2024, for the first time, a French official representative, HE Pierre-André Imbert, Ambassador of France to Australia, adopted the practice of Acknowledgement of Country. This event was an opportunity to bring together influential aboriginal personalities from the main artistic institutions, scientists and governments to advance the agenda of cooperation and implement the development of scientific and cultural projects between France and Aboriginal organizations.

Many research and cultural projects are underway between France and Australia, at the initiative of researchers and artists of both countries, with a wide range of interests, for instance in linguistics, history, archaeology, art history, and the arts. The Embassy of France is looking to support **research and field work as well as mobility expenses**, allowing for travel from France to Australia, or Australia to France, including French overseas territories, to support networking, and joint scientific and cultural projects.

These grants may cover travel costs for the purpose of fieldwork, organising or participating in a workshop, conference, festival or similar events, accessing relevant archives and museums, creation, translation, and writing.

A total budget of \$24,000 AUD is available through this call.

Eligibility

Applications are open to researchers, writers and artists of any seniority level affiliated in Australia or in France. Early career researchers, including PhD students, and emerging artists are encouraged to apply.

Term of funding

A total of AUD 24,000 (twenty-four thousand Australian dollars) is made available for this call. **Submitted projects must be completed before 1st July 2026.**

- A selection committee appointed by the Embassy of France to Australia will review the applications and select successful applications.
- The Embassy of France to Australia will notify each project coordinator of the outcome of their applications and the amount allowed to successful projects. We will select up to 4 projects in this round.
- Upon acceptance of the funding (if selected), the project coordinator agrees to:
 - Include a mention of the support provided by the Embassy of France to Australia on all communication materials used for the realisation of the project.
 - Provide the Embassy of France to Australia with said communication materials at least 3 (three) weeks before their use. These materials will be disseminated through the French Embassy's communication channels.
 - Provide the Embassy of France to Australia with a report with proofs of payment on the outcomes of the project no later than the 1st of August 2026.
 - Ensure that the funding is used only for carrying out the projects described in the application. No part of the funding will be used or allocated for overheads or indirect costs.

Communication terms

The Embassy of France to Australia reserves the right to communicate about any public events or projects they provide funding for.

A condition of receiving a grant from the French government is the promotion of the funding provided. Grant recipients will assist the Embassy's communication team in providing a promotional video or images about the funded project. This media will be shared with the Embassy to promote at their discretion on the official website and social media channels, following the French Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs' media guidelines.

Grant recipients are encouraged to promote their project through the use of images, short videos or written text on social media. In the event that the recipient shares any information about the project funded either fully or in part by the Embassy, such funding must be mentioned either in text form or through the use of the logo. The logo can be utilised on all print materials and images. The logo will be provided to the beneficiary upon request.

Embassy official communication channels :

Website : [La France en Australie](#)

Facebook : [France in Australia - Ambassade de France en Australie](#)

LinkedIn: [The Embassy of France to Australia](#)

Instagram: [@franceinaustralia](#)

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Application process

Applications must be submitted by using the form below. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

- Call for projects opens: 16 June 2025
- Deadline for applications: 31 July 2025
- Results announced: 16 August 2025
- Earliest date for project start: 1 September 2025

Further information

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