

# Yitpi Foundation Research Awards and Grants-in-Aid

The name Yitpi is a Kurna word for seed or soul.

It is recognized that the funds under management have their origin in levies collected from growers in southern Australia, especially South Australia and western Victoria for the variety Yitpi, which is registered under the Plant Breeder's Rights Act.

The Foundation has been established to encourage and promote research and education in the fields of crop science, particularly in relation to the wheat industry in southern Australia; and social science in linguistics of Australian languages and studies of the cultures of Australian Aborigines, particularly in relation to land usage.

## **GUIDELINES FOR APPLICATIONS**

The Management Committee will endeavor to make awards or grants in each of the three areas –

- (a) Crop science research
- (b) Agricultural education
- (c) Studies of the linguistics and culture of Australian Aboriginal peoples

The application should be no longer than 3 pages in length and cover the following:

1. Title for the Research Award or Grant.
2. A list of the Applicants together with their qualifications. Relevant CVs should be attached as an appendix to the application.
3. (a) Brief background to the proposed work,  
(b) An outline of the procedures to be adopted or the studies to be undertaken,  
(c) Anticipated practical outcomes from the research or studies must be described. How these will be made known to, and their likely impact on, the relevant farmers or communities and other stakeholders should be outlined.
4. A summative budget for the proposed research or studies. Applications involving travel must include an appended itinerary.
5. Nomination of two professional referees qualified to comment on the proposal, with their contact details including email address and phone number.

6. Applications should, normally, be annual, but applications for renewal of projects which are progressing satisfactorily will be welcomed. Successful applicants should provide an annual report to the Management Committee in June of each year and a final report of at least 2 pages within 60 days of project completion. The community impact of the project should be described. Any publications that have been submitted as a result of the project should be attached to the final report and should acknowledge the Yitpi Foundation.

Requests for <\$15k will have a greater chance of success, but larger grants will be considered. Further, applications which have a high probability of having an impact on the relevant community in the short term will be given more favorable consideration.

Applications should not be greater than three pages in length. The Management Committee reserves the right to interview applicants to clarify aspects of the application and to consult referees regarding the appropriateness and strength of the application and will not enter into discussions on their judgement.

Applications will normally be received two times each year, in April and August, with notification of the success or otherwise of the applications in June and October. Out of session applications will be accepted where there is an immediate need. Retrospective applications will not be considered.

Applications will be accepted until 24 April 2023, and, clearly marked for the Yitpi Foundation, should be emailed to [jane.rathjen01@gmail.com](mailto:jane.rathjen01@gmail.com) with a copy to [richard@clarbrow.com.au](mailto:richard@clarbrow.com.au) or posted to:

Yitpi Foundation  
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KENT TOWN SA 5067

The decision of the Management Committee will be final and successful applicants will be notified in writing.

All successful applicants will be required to complete a contractual agreement to receive the funding.

Any applicant who does not fulfil the requirements outlined above will be required to repay the funding amount within 14 days of being instructed to do so.

## **RULES GOVERNING THE YITPI FOUNDATION RESEARCH AWARDS AND GRANTS**

1. Application for a Research Award or Grant shall be invited on a southern Australia-wide basis from persons who have appropriate qualifications and have experience in conducting their proposed research or educational project.
2. Each holder of a Research Award or Grant shall be required to carry out a study or investigation in a field relating to the objectives of the Foundation.
3. The Yitpi Foundation Management Committee may from time to time make a grant for payment of salaries and travel expenses, purchase of equipment or consumable supplies or for any other purpose that the Committee shall think fit.
4. The holder of a Research Award or Grant shall EITHER be staff or student of an organization which is an approved research institution with the approval of that organization, OR, staff of an organization that carries out research with the approval of that organization. The Yitpi Foundation Management Committee decision as to whether that organization is eligible for this scheme will be final.
5. At the conclusion of the tenure of a Research Award or Grant the recipient(s) shall present to the Foundation a report on the study or investigation. Any publications describing work that has been supported wholly or partly by the Foundation shall make acknowledgment of such support.
6. In making the Research Award or Grant, the Management Committee shall have regard to the suitability of the applicant and the nature and location of the proposed project. The Research Award or Grant may be made subject to such conditions as it shall think fit but shall in any event reserve the right in its discretion to cancel suspend or defer payment under such award at any time if it is not satisfied with the conduct or work of the holder.
7. The Award may be held concurrently with grants from other sources provided that such a grant permits the purposes of the Award to be fulfilled. Applicants must advise of any other funding sources, or applications made or intended to be made for funding. Funding will only be made for prospective projects. No retrospective projects will be funded.

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