

Things to consider

The JCU Connect Contracts Team assists the research community with a variety of research and commercialisation agreements, assisting in establishing the expectations and requirements of all parties involved.

This process helps ensure that partner requirements are considered whilst, at the same time, JCU and researcher interests are protected.

Types of research contracts

The JCU Connect Contracts Team assist in developing and reviewing a wide range of agreements, including:

- Memoranda of Understanding/Intent
- Confidentiality and Non-Disclosure Agreements (CDAs & NDAs)
- Material Transfer Agreements
- Research Services Agreements
- Research Funding Agreements
- Research Collaboration Agreements
- Terms of Tenders
- Commercial Licence Agreements



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During initial engagement with a client/research recipient to discuss a potential agreement, researchers are encouraged to consider a number of important contractual items. The JCU Connect Contracts Team are here to support researchers with key contract questions including:

- Are the deliverables/milestones achievable?
- How should the fee payments be structured?
- Will the research recipient need to contribute information, equipment or assistance to the research project?
- Which party will own the material created during the project, including the intellectual property rights in that material?
- Does the researcher/JCU wish to be able to use the material created during the project for other purposes?
- Does the researcher wish to be able to publish the research results?
- Will students be involved in the project?
- Will any of JCU's confidential information be disclosed before or during the project?
- Will JCU engage any subcontractors to assist with performance of the project?
- Have all potential risks been identified and brought to the attention of the JCU Connect Contracts Team?
- Does the project consider and, if applicable, meet the requirements defined in the Defence Trade Controls Act and/or Biodiscovery Act?

For support and advice email: contractsconnect@jcu.edu.au

For further information visit: jcuconnect.com/research-contracts