

	LAHP Collaborative Doctoral Award Assessment Criteria Project Proposals 2024/25				
	Quality and originality of the proposed research (30%)	Feasibility of the research (20%)	Quality of the proposed collaboration (30%)	Clearly defined potential for cultural, societal and/or economic impact in collaboration with the partner organization (20%)	Relevance of proposed research to LAHP CDA priority areas (used only as a second stage ranking to differentiate between equally scoring applications)
Assessment Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Significance, originality and clarity of research proposal; - Underpinning ideas, aims and research questions; - Research design, methodology and/or sources; - Suitability of proposal for doctoral research. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Relevance of the research areas of supervisors to the proposed work and appropriate supervisory experience; - Synergy with the research priorities of the department, HEI and LAHP; - Suitability of student (if identified) to undertake project; - Planned recruitment of student (if applicable), including promotion of the studentship to prospective applicants from Black and Global Majority and other under-represented groups; - Acknowledgement of potential ethical issues arising from the project, with clear approach to mitigate any risks. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Added value of the research collaboration; - Active involvement of partner organization in shaping the research process; - Additional developmental or training opportunities that will arise through the collaboration between the student/academic team, their broader academic environment and the partner organization; - Distinctive forms of experience in areas related to research design and methodology, analysis, dissemination, research management, networking, knowledge transfer offered by partner. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Benefits gained from the collaboration for the HEI, non-HEI partner and student; - Benefits in terms of wider impact; - Role of partner organization in realizing the potential impact; - Collaborative opportunities that will lead to cultural, societal and / or economic impact. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - clearly defined link to one or more of LAHP's priority research areas; - appropriate and clearly defined support in place for the student that takes into account any unique challenges presented by the research.

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6	Outstanding proposal in terms of its significance, originality and clarity; its relevance to the LAHP CDA priority areas; its underpinning ideas, aims and research questions; research design, methodology and/or sources; its suitability for doctoral research. The proposal merits the very highest priority for funding.	Outstanding proposal in terms relevant and appropriate supervisory experience; synergy with the research priorities of the department, HEI and LAHP; suitability of student (if known) or well-planned recruitment process including promotion of the studentship to prospective applicants from Black and Global Majority and other under-represented groups.	Outstanding proposed collaboration in terms of added value, commitment from the partner organization, additional training and developmental opportunities; distinctive forms of experience related to research design and methodology, analysis, dissemination, research management, networking, knowledge transfer make an outstanding collaboration.	Outstanding evidence provided for the benefits gained from the collaboration for the HEI, non-HEI partner and student; clearly defined potential for cultural, societal and / or economic impact.	Outstanding link to the priority areas with insightful and clear understanding of the challenges doing this research may present for the student. Exceptional support mechanisms in place for the student.
5	Excellent proposal in terms of its significance, originality and clarity; its relevance to the LAHP CDA priority areas; its underpinning ideas, aims and research questions; research design, methodology and/or sources; its suitability for doctoral research. The proposal should be funded as a matter of priority but does not merit the very highest priority rating.	Excellent proposal in terms relevant and appropriate supervisory experience; synergy with the research priorities of the department, HEI and LAHP; suitability of student (if known) or well-planned recruitment process including promotion of the studentship to prospective applicants from Black and Global Majority and other under-represented groups.	Excellent proposed collaboration in terms of added value, commitment from the partner organisation, additional training and developmental opportunities; distinctive forms of experience related to research design and methodology, analysis, dissemination, research management, networking, knowledge transfer make an outstanding collaboration.	Excellent evidence provided for the benefits gained from the collaboration for the HEI, non-HEI partner and student; clearly defined potential for cultural, societal and / or economic impact.	Excellent link to the priority areas with a clear understanding of the challenges doing this research may present for the student. Excellent support mechanisms in place for the student.
4	Very good proposal in terms of its significance, originality and clarity; its relevance to the LAHP CDA priority areas;	Very good proposal in terms relevant and appropriate supervisory experience; synergy with the research	Very good proposed collaboration in terms of added value, commitment from the partner	Very good evidence provided for the benefits gained from the collaboration for the HEI,	Very good link to the priority areas with a clear understanding of the challenges doing this research may present for

	its underpinning ideas, aims and research questions; research design, methodology and/or sources; its suitability for doctoral research. The proposal is worthy of consideration for funding.	priorities of the department, HEI and LAHP; suitability of student (if known) or well-planned recruitment process including promotion of the studentship to prospective applicants from Black and Global Majority and other under-represented groups.	organisation, additional training and developmental opportunities; distinctive forms of experience related to research design and methodology, analysis, dissemination, research management, networking, knowledge transfer make an outstanding collaboration.	non-HEI partner and student; clearly defined potential for cultural, societal and / or economic impact.	the student. Some very good support mechanisms in place for the student.
3	Satisfactory proposal in terms of its significance, originality and clarity; its relevance to the LAHP CDA priority areas; its underpinning ideas, aims and research questions; research design, methodology and/or sources; its suitability for doctoral research. In a competitive context the proposal is not considered of a sufficient quality to recommend for funding.	Satisfactory proposal in terms relevant and appropriate supervisory experience; synergy with the research priorities of the department, HEI and LAHP; suitability of student (if known) or well-planned recruitment process including promotion of the studentship to prospective applicants from Black and Global Majority and other under-represented groups.	Satisfactory proposed collaboration in terms of added value, commitment from the partner organisation, additional training and developmental opportunities; distinctive forms of experience related to research design and methodology, analysis, dissemination, research management, networking, knowledge transfer make an outstanding collaboration.	Satisfactory evidence provided for the benefits gained from the collaboration for the HEI, non-HEI partner and student; clearly defined potential for cultural, societal and / or economic impact.	Satisfactory link to the priority areas with reasonably comprehensive support mechanism in place for the student.
2	Inconsistent proposal in terms of its significance, originality and clarity; its relevance to the LAHP CDA priority areas; its underpinning ideas, aims and research questions;	Inconsistent proposal in terms relevant and appropriate supervisory experience; synergy with the research priorities of the department, HEI and LAHP; suitability of student (if	Inconsistent proposed collaboration in terms of added value, commitment from the partner organisation, additional training and developmental opportunities; distinctive forms of experience related	Inconsistent , weak and/or flawed evidence provided for the benefits gained from the collaboration for the HEI, non-HEI partner and student; clearly defined potential for cultural,	Link to the priority areas claimed but unclear. Support mechanisms not clearly defined or obviously relevant.

	research design, methodology and/or sources; its suitability for doctoral research. As a result of the flaws or weaknesses identified, the proposal is not considered to be of fundable quality.	known) or well-planned recruitment process including promotion of the studentship to prospective applicants from Black and Global Majority and other under-represented groups.	to research design and methodology, analysis, dissemination, research management, networking, knowledge transfer make an outstanding collaboration.	societal and / or economic impact.	
1	Unsatisfactory proposal in terms of its significance, originality and clarity; its relevance to the LAHP CDA priority areas; its underpinning ideas, aims and research questions; research design, methodology and/or sources; its suitability for doctoral research. The proposal is not suitable for funding.	Unsatisfactory proposal in terms relevant and appropriate supervisory experience; synergy with the research priorities of the department, HEI and LAHP; suitability of student (if known) or well-planned recruitment process including promotion of the studentship to prospective applicants from Black and Global Majority and other under-represented groups.	Unsatisfactory proposed collaboration in terms of added value, commitment from the partner organisation, additional training and developmental opportunities; distinctive forms of experience related to research design and methodology, analysis, dissemination, research management, networking, knowledge transfer make an outstanding collaboration.	Unsatisfactory and/or unconvincing evidence provided for the benefits gained from the collaboration for the HEI, non-HEI partner and student; clearly defined potential for cultural, societal and / or economic impact.	No link to the research priorities