L’Oréal Australia *For Women in Science* Fellowships

with the support of the Australian National Commission for UNESCO & endorsed by the Australian Academy of Science

**Criteria for Eligibility**

- Application is open to doctoral or post doctoral candidates (within 5 years of completing a PhD);
- Applicants must be Australian citizens or permanent residents;
- Applicants must be associated with an Australian-based academic or research institution, and must be intending to continue their research in Australia for the next 12 months;
- Applicants must be women involved in the life sciences, material sciences, mathematics or engineering;
- Applications will be considered only if they are complete and arrive within the deadline time.


NB. Do not confuse the deadline for the L’Oréal Australia *For Women in Science* Fellowship with that of the UNESCO-L’ORÉAL Fellowship program, which is part of the international program.

**Required Documents**

Applicants must send the following:

- Completed application form available online at: [www.forwomeninscience.com](http://www.forwomeninscience.com) (see In Your Country);
- CV including research publications, 3-5 page summary of past research achievements and future research plans;
- three original letters of reference, of which one letter must be from the proposed mentor. Other letters can come from a former advisor or persons knowledgeable about the applicants work and studies.

Items 1 and 2 must be submitted electronically before midnight, 29th June 2007. Item 3 can be submitted electronically is possible. We require one hard copy of all items to be mailed to L’Oréal.
Criteria for Review
An inter-disciplinary jury of scientists will review all applications. The 2007 Jury comprises:

- Kurt Lambeck, Professor of Geophysics at the Australian National University and President Australian Academy of Science
- Jennifer Ann Marshall Graves, Professor and Head of the Comparative Genomics Research Group at the Australian National University and L’Oreal-UNESCO For Women in Science Laureate 2006
- Suzanne Cory, Director, Walter and Eliza Hall Institute of Medical Research and L’Oreal-UNESCO For Women in Science Laureate 2001
- Cathy Foley, CSIRO Industrial Physics and President of the Australian Institute of Physics
- Vijoleta Braach-Maksvytis, Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Innovation and Development) University of Melbourne and representative of the Australian National Commission for UNESCO.

The jury will review all applications and select three Fellows based on:

- intellectual merit/academic records/accepted requisites for scholarly scientific study including:
  - ability to plan and conduct research
  - ability to work as a team member or independently
  - ability to interpret and communicate research findings
- scientific excellence and appropriateness of proposed research or a clearly articulated plan of study
- reference letters
- the potential for career enhancement of the proposed research

Award
Three AU$20,000 fellowships will be awarded. Candidates will be permitted to attain matching grants or supplemental fellowship grants if they do not prohibit or pose a conflict in acceptance of the L’Oréal Australia For Women in Science Fellowship. The Australian Fellowships may not be deferred nor renewed. Awardees will receive the funds at the award ceremony.

L’Oréal Australia reserves the right not to award one or more of the For Women in Science Fellowships.

The Fellowships are intended to help finance the scientific research of the Fellows. The Fellowship funds can, for example, be used for equipment, travel and child care costs.

Six months after receiving their Fellowships, recipients are expected to submit a status report on their research projects and the value of the Fellowship. This report will be forwarded to the jury members for review.

Fellowships will be announced in September 2007 (date TBC). The three Fellows will be expected to attend an Award Ceremony to be held in Melbourne. Jury members and representatives from the Australian National Commission of UNESCO and the Australia Academy of Science will be invited to the award ceremony, together with
relevant government officials, academic or research institutions, science and general media, together with the Fellows’ family and friends.

Please email your application to: fwisapplications@au.loreal.com by midnight 29th June 2007.
Please ensure your application & attachments do not exceed 1Mb in size.

Plus one hard copy of your application together with letters of reference to be mailed (postmarked 29th June 2007):

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