

# Leading through international practitioner applied research Fellowships

Celebrating Applied Research in TAFE

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# About ISS Institute

- The ISS Institute exists to foster an aspirational, skilled and smart Australia by cultivating the mastery and knowledge of talented Australians through international research Fellowships.
- The International Specialised Skills Institute (ISS Institute) is proud of its heritage. The organisation was founded over 25 years ago by Sir James Gobbo AC CVO QC, former Governor of Victoria, to encourage investment in the development of Australia's specialised skills.
- The organisation plays a pivotal role in creating value and opportunity, encouraging new thinking and early adoption of ideas and practice. By working with others, ISS Institute invests in individuals who wish to create an aspirational, skilled and smart Australia through innovation, mastery and knowledge cultivation.

# The Fellowship Program

- The program encourages mutual and shared learning, leadership and communities of practice
- Is led by the Fellow's understanding of skills and knowledge enhancement opportunities
- Is an international study of industry, education and training, employment and connection to leaders and experts in a specific industry area
- Assists the Fellows to develop a new capacity in their skills, knowledge, thinking and leadership
- Links Fellows to a range of sectors that have relevance and offer opportunities to the Fellow and their current and future work such as the Fellowship investors, industry bodies, education and training organisations, companies and government agencies
- Puts a lot of emphasis on the post international applied research dissemination of the learnings and its considerations and recommendations through delivering activities such as workshops, presentations at conferences and forums, article publications, online presentations etc.

# Impact-focused opportunities



# Leadership

Ideas

Applying practice

Being open to ideas, new  
knowledge and experiences

Being bold and taking risks

Building meaningful networks  
and contacts

Proposing new ideas, making  
recommendations and asking  
people to consider...

“Can we do this better?”



# Collaboration

“Can we do this work better together?”

Challenging the norm

Thinking outside of personal,  
professional and sector comfort zones

Who else do we need to work with?

What does sharing, talking, thinking  
together look like in a VET context?

What partnerships and collaborations  
will bring mutual opportunities,  
innovation and better work prepared,  
future focused and qualified students?



# Innovation

“Let’s re-think this and turn it on its head”

Training to meet industry skills needs

VET and industry sectors collaborating

Quality, access, equity

Enabling our VET practitioners and leaders to be the innovators, the ideas people, the thought leaders and applied researchers

Ideas, models and concepts

Generating resources to strengthen the VET sector



# Fellowships in 2017...

- [www.issinstitute.org.au](http://www.issinstitute.org.au) - website
- ISS Institute 'Update' enews and Campaigns
- Louisa Ellum – [louisa.ellum@issinstitute.org.au](mailto:louisa.ellum@issinstitute.org.au)
- DET HESG Memos
- Meeting with the ISS Institute team to discuss opportunities and ideas
- International Leaders Fellowships