

D2L / ASCILITE Research Grants

Assessment Procedure

Grant review and assessment process

1. Grant applications should be made on the D2L & ASCILITE Grant application form and submitted to the ASCILITE Secretariat within the advertised timeframe.
2. Applications will be blind reviewed by the selection panel who will comment and make recommendations to support or not to support the application for funding.
3. Applicants may be requested to modify the application as a result of reviewer feedback and comments. If considered necessary, the application will be returned to the reviewers for further comment and final recommendation.
4. The ASCILITE Executive makes the final decision on successful grants.
5. The application will be advised of the outcome by email. Grant recipients must confirm their ability to undertake the project as approved in writing within the timeframes provided.
6. Successful grant recipients will be announced at the annual ASCILITE conference, on ASCILITE's social media and listed on the ASCILITE website.
7. All questions related to the project application and submissions should be directed to the ASCILITE Secretariat (secretariat@ascilite.org).

Information for ASCILITE Grant Reviewers

All Reviewers of a D2L & ASCILITE Grant must use this process and form and submit to the ASCILITE office within the advertised timeframe.

Projects must be directly related to the work of ASCILITE, its vision and mission and be of direct relevance to ASCILITE's members. (See the General Information document for further information).

D2L & ASCILITE offer grants to ASCILITE members to fund research/scholarship and/or development projects on teaching and learning in higher education that directly align to the Strategic Plan and mission of ASCILITE (Available on the website <https://ascilite.org/governance/>).

Grant project dissemination plans

It is expected that research findings will be disseminated through ASCILITE activities such as the annual conference, via TELall blog posts, webinars and through social media. Other opportunities may be provided through D2L events. Outcomes may be disseminated elsewhere provided that D2L and ASCILITE are promoted and acknowledged as the funding providers.

Assessment Criteria

A. Project outcomes and rationale

- Clearly articulated outcomes and a clear argument demonstrating how the project will address the ASCILITE Strategic plan and mission priorities and contribute to the enhancement of learning and teaching in higher education.

B. Approach

- A strong theoretical framework that is grounded in the literature.
- A set of strategies which is considered, coherent and appropriate to the outcomes the project is designed to achieve.
- An approach that is in alignment with ASCILITE Strategic Plan and mission.

C. Value/need for project

- Value/need for project outcomes in relation to its usefulness to ASCILITE and/or SIGs.
- Enhances learning and teaching.
- Capacity of the project to lead to further research, including external funding in the future.
- Ways in which the project utilises and advances existing national and international knowledge/literature.
- Effective strategies for dissemination of outcomes.

D. Project management

- A realistic approach to the management and execution of the project, including the preliminary allocation of responsibilities among team members.
- Effective strategies for evaluation of the project.
- A reasonable budget.

Each application will be assessed on the extent to which it shows evidence of the criteria using scores of 1 to 5 with 5 being outstanding.