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Authorship of Research:

An authorship of research is a formal connection between a researcher and Flinders University, including their relevant College, Centre and/or Institute where possible.

When authoring a research output, Flinders University must be identified as the affiliated organisation in the author by-line for all Flinders University-related research outputs.

This includes all research outputs of Flinders University staff, HDR students, and research outputs of Flinders University academic status holders where the research has been conducted, funded or otherwise supported by Flinders University.

When the by-line order and form are not dictated by a publication, it must include:

- “Flinders University” without acronyms or abbreviations
- The College name (e.g., “College of Business, Government and Law”)
- Any Academic Senate-approved University Centre or Institute (e.g., “Medical Devices Research Institute”)
- Location (e.g., Adelaide, South Australia or Darwin, Northern Territory, Australia)
- External affiliations relevant to the author as a *separate* affiliation.

All authorship of research requirements are detailed in the [Authorship of Research Outputs Procedure](#) -Schedule 1.

Who ensures that Authorship of Research affiliation is correct?

Each researcher must ensure their authorship of research affiliation is correctly recorded on all research outputs.

What is a Research Output?

A research output is any output derived from research that is published or made publicly available. Research Outputs include traditional outputs such as books, chapters, journal articles and conference publications, as well as non-traditional outputs such as original creative works, live performances, public exhibitions and events and research reports.

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When Authorship of Research is done correctly:

Improving the fidelity of author affiliations is fundamental to any and every research output. Credibility, integrity, quality, standing and reputation, all rely on accurate authorship of research.

Correct author affiliations ensure:

- Researchers, Colleges and Flinders University are recognised for their contribution.
- Discovery of research outputs is achieved through the Research@Flinders portal.
- Researcher profiles reflect the credibility and gravitas of researchers.
- Flinders University comply with the Research Integrity Policy and the Australian Code for Responsible Conduct of Research.
- Research outputs are recognised by Flinders University, and external bibliometric analysis (including Scopus, Web of Science and Google Scholar).
- An impact on Flinders University's research rankings and funding.
- Harvesting of publications into the Flinders University's research management system is more efficient and increases opportunities for research data capture and re-use.
- The capture of Open Access publications in the Flinders University's repository can be facilitated, meeting Australian Research Council and National Health and Medical Research Council requirements.
- Flinders University's global reputation for world class research is maintained.

When Authorship of Research is done incorrectly:

The following can occur when author affiliations are not correct:

- Researchers, Colleges and Flinders University are not recognised for their contribution.
- Noncompliance with the Research Integrity Policy and the Australian Code for Responsible Conduct of Research.
- Flinders University will not receive affiliation credit in bibliometric analysis (including international rankings such as Times Higher Education (THE)).
- Publication harvesting in the Flinders University's research management system is not effective and efficient.
- Fact checking and validation takes longer.
- Decreased opportunities for research data capture and re-use.
- Open Access publications cannot be facilitated in the Flinders University's repository.
- Australian Research Council and National Health and Medical Research Council requirements may not be satisfied.