

RMIT Creative Funding

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

Can I use the money for my academic work?

No. RMIT Creative Funding is for extracurricular activities only that is, projects outside of your academic study. If your project is going to be academically assessed, then you are ineligible to apply for RMIT Creative Funding.

Will RMIT Creative co-produce/produce an event for me?

By applying for RMIT Creative Funding it is expected that the applicant(s) will be organising and producing the entire project themselves. RMIT Creative can provide general support and suggestions especially around accessing RMIT resources.

What if I don't use the entire amount I applied for? Can I keep it?

The entire amount awarded must be spent on the expenses outlined in the budget submitted with your application otherwise, the funding will need to be returned to RMIT Creative.

I don't know how to write a budget; can RMIT Creative help me?

A sample budget outline is provided on page 4 of the [Creative Funding guidelines](#). If you have further questions you can email collectives@rmit.edu.au to chat with a RMIT Creative staff.

What kinds of things do you fund?

We fund extracurricular projects that is, projects not related to academic study this includes creative events, publications, mentorships, workshops, artist residencies, sound projects, films, podcasts, performances.

Can you give some examples of funding expenses?

As part of the RMIT Creative Funding application process you are required to list your expense items these include production costs, marketing and promotion, printing publications, conference fees, costumes, materials, website subscriptions. If you are unsure about what expense items to include, please email collectives@rmit.edu.au

Can I use the money to fund research (research trip, research materials like books/DVDs/CDs) or professional development (workshops/masterclasses)?

The RMIT Creative Funding program does not fund academic research costs. The funding can go toward professional practice development and will need to fulfil the RMIT Creative Funding assessment criteria: creative merit, practice development and project viability.

Can I use the money to pay the hourly rates of a professional mentor?

Yes, the money can go toward professional mentor fees and will need to fulfil the RMIT Creative Funding assessment criteria: creative merit, practice development and project viability.

I am in a team of a few other people but I am the only RMIT student - am I still eligible to apply for funding?

Group applicants must comprise of 100% of current, actively enrolled RMIT students.

Can I use the money for transport (Uber, taxi, public transport)?

RMIT Creative Funding can go toward transport costs directly related to the project activity.

Can I use the money to buy equipment for lighting or sound?

Only in exceptional circumstances can the funding be used to purchase equipment. Any equipment purchases must be approved by RMIT Creative. In such case, the equipment will be owned by RMIT and not the recipients. We encourage applications to hire equipment from [RMIT AV Loans](#).

Can I use the money to buy a camera?

No. We encourage applications to hire camera's through [RMIT AV Loans](#).