

## ICRAR Visiting Fellowship for Senior Women+ in Astronomy 2024

## **Purpose of the Fellowship**

ICRAR is a Western Australian Government funded, equal joint venture of Curtin University and the University of Western Australia (UWA). ICRAR is committed to supporting women+ (women and gender minorities), in astronomical sciences and technology. This fellowship is aimed at providing an opportunity for senior women+ astronomers, as well as engineers and data scientists working in the field of astronomy, (having more than five years research work experience post PhD) to visit ICRAR and interact with ICRAR researchers and graduate students. This is the seventh round of this Fellowship and the previous recipients of the Fellowship can be seen on <a href="http://www.icrar.org/about/visiting-fellowship/">http://www.icrar.org/about/visiting-fellowship/</a>

The main objectives of the fellowship are to:

- Create opportunities for young researchers at ICRAR, particularly women+, to learn career development and work-life balance strategies from potential senior role models.
- Enable scientific interaction between early career researchers and graduate students, particularly women+, with senior academic visitors.
- Explore opportunities for developing mentoring relations.
- Enrich the research environment at ICRAR.
- Create opportunities to foster national and international collaborations.

The Fellow is expected to take part in a range of mutually discussed and agreed activities in line with the objectives of the Fellowship and split the time equally between the two ICRAR nodes (Curtin University and UWA), in order to have the opportunity to participate in the daily life and engage with people at both institutes.

## What the Fellowship provides

ICRAR will offer one fellowship per calendar year and will provide:

- \$5,000 per month for two months for living and accommodation expenses,
- Travel assistance of up to \$5,000,
- Needs-based additional support of up to \$4,000 may be provided for childcare or other required support.
  (Note: Australian tax rules may impact the above amounts).

## **Application Procedure**

The application procedure can be found on the ICRAR website (<a href="www.icrar.org">www.icrar.org</a>) and closes on 15<sup>th</sup> Septeber, 2023. The selected visiting fellow must take up their Fellowship at ICRAR between 1 Feb 2024 and 30 Nov 2024. Any further delays will lead to cancellation of the Fellowship offer. The visit may be split into two with mutual agreement and with no additional funding requested. The application (in PDF format) must include the following information:

- The proposed duration of the visit and dates.
- A personal statement on supporting women+ in astronomy (max 1 page).
- How the visit will address the objectives of the fellowship as listed above (max 1 page).
- The research activity to be undertaken at ICRAR and the name of potential ICRAR collaborators at each node, with whom they should have discussed research interests and activities (max 1 page).
- A brief CV (max 5 pages) including the top 10 publications and a suggested topic for a research seminar.
- Names and email contacts of two referees who can comment on the suitability of the candidate against the criteria of this fellowship. ICRAR will contact the referees directly.

Applications will be reviewed by ICRAR and applicants will be informed of the outcome by end of October, 2023. Please contact Dr Renu Sharma, ICRAR CoO, and Director - Translation and Impact, (<a href="mailto:renu.sharma@icrar.org">renu.sharma@icrar.org</a>) for additional details or questions regarding this fellowship. Applications can be submitted to <a href="mailto:fellowship@icrar.org">fellowship@icrar.org</a>)





