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## Emerging Leader (Undergraduate Students)

### Overview

This award recognises an Western Australian emerging leader in the digital and/or technology field undertaking study for the first time e.g. an undergraduate/ diploma/ basis (“undergraduate student”) in a higher-learning institution, such as a college, TAFE or university.

**NB:** Tertiary postgraduate students or group of students undertaking research Masters, Doctoral or Post-Doctoral programs are not eligible, but may enter the “Research and Innovation” Category.

### Description

Entry is open to any ICT project or research performed by an undergraduate student or a group of undergraduate students whilst enrolled as an undergraduate student in the year of the award or the preceding year.

Students must either own or materially contributed to or create at least some of the intellectual property of their innovation. If requested, details must be able to be provided.

NOTE:

- a) Involvement of the supervisor in stage 2 judging **can only** be as an observer;
- b) Tertiary postgraduate student(s) undertaking research Masters, Doctoral or Post-Doctoral programs must enter the “Research and Innovation” Category).

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## Criteria and Attributes

### **Benefits Realisation**

This criterion judges the advantages of the solution:

1. Understanding the problem to be solved;
2. Effectiveness of the solution in delivering its stated outcomes /understanding the problem to be solved;
3. Understanding of the environment (environment in which the solution is intended to be used in the creation of the project);
4. Understanding of the market/user base and the problem to be solved; and/or
5. User uptake and acceptance.

### **Innovation**

This criterion judges the degree of innovation:

1. Uniqueness, complexity and impact;
2. Type of innovative impact – incremental, disruptive, radical or architectural.
3. Creativity / trend setting.

### **Quality of Solution**

This criterion judges the quality and application of the relevant scientific principles or technologies:

1. Underlying scientific principles and/or technologies used;
2. Research methodology;
3. Application of design and development standards;
4. Proof-of-concept acceptance.