



IEU / 10 CENTRES & PRODUCTS

Research Centres & Knowledge Products

A guide to research themes, centre scopes and useful outputs.

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Subject and learning information; not an admissions offer.

FROM QUESTION TO KNOWLEDGE OUTPUT

01

RESEARCH THEMES

Relevant questions

02

EVIDENCE & METHODS

Appropriate sources

03

KNOWLEDGE OUTPUTS

Clear, scoped products

04

COLLABORATION

Defined responsibilities

How to read this catalogue

A page is an informational framework, not proof of an operating service.

Learning Enterprise

4 framework areas. Learning development themes, advanced learning, digital credentials and study readiness.

Enterprise & Government Solutions

5 framework areas. Scoping institutional capability, policy, technology, education and workforce needs.

Research, Knowledge & IP

5 framework areas. Research, evidence, observatory themes, content, publishing and rights.

Global Networks & Ventures

4 framework areas. Alliance, academic pathways, innovation and graduate-engagement themes.

Learning Enterprise

Learning development themes, advanced learning, digital credentials and study readiness.

4 framework areas

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 Learning development themes, advanced learning, digital...
- 02 4 framework areas
- 03 Four areas of continuing learning

Enterprise & Government Solutions

Scoping institutional capability, policy, technology, education and workforce needs.

5 framework areas



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Research, Knowledge & IP

Research, evidence, observatory themes, content, publishing and rights.

5 framework areas



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Global Networks & Ventures

Alliance, academic pathways, innovation and graduate-engagement themes.

4 framework areas

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 Alliance, academic pathways, innovation and graduate-engagement...
- 02 4 framework areas
- 03 Four connected thematic framework areas

01 IEU Continuing & Executive Education

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Define audience, learning need, format, ownership and content rights before any learning offer.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

A scoped learning brief; a outlined pathway map; evidence needed for a future cohort.

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 01 IEU Continuing & Executive Education
- 02 Define audience, learning need, format, ownership and content...
- 03 A scoped learning brief; a outlined pathway map; evidence needed...

02 Lifelong Learning & IEU for Life

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Map evolving learning needs across career changes and life stages; separate themes from member entitlements.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

A lifelong learning framework brief and future engagement journey.



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03 Skills Assessment & Digital Credentials

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Document skill definitions, suitable evidence, fairness, assessor capability and data-use controls.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

A competence taxonomy and prepare evaluation blueprint; not a current certificate offer.

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 03 Skills Assessment & Digital Credentials
- 02 Document skill definitions, suitable evidence, fairness, assessor...
- 03 A competence taxonomy and prepare evaluation blueprint; not a...

04 Languages & Academic Preparation

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Map foundation skills, language needs and digital study readiness by audience and format.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

A preparatory learning design with explicit outcomes and evidence requirements.

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 04 Languages & Academic Preparation
- 02 Map foundation skills, language needs and digital study readiness...
- 03 A preparatory learning design with explicit outcomes and evidence...

05 Corporate & Government Academies

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Diagnose workforce needs, design capability pathways, document delivery responsibilities.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

Academy blueprint, competency matrix and outlined pilot roadmap.



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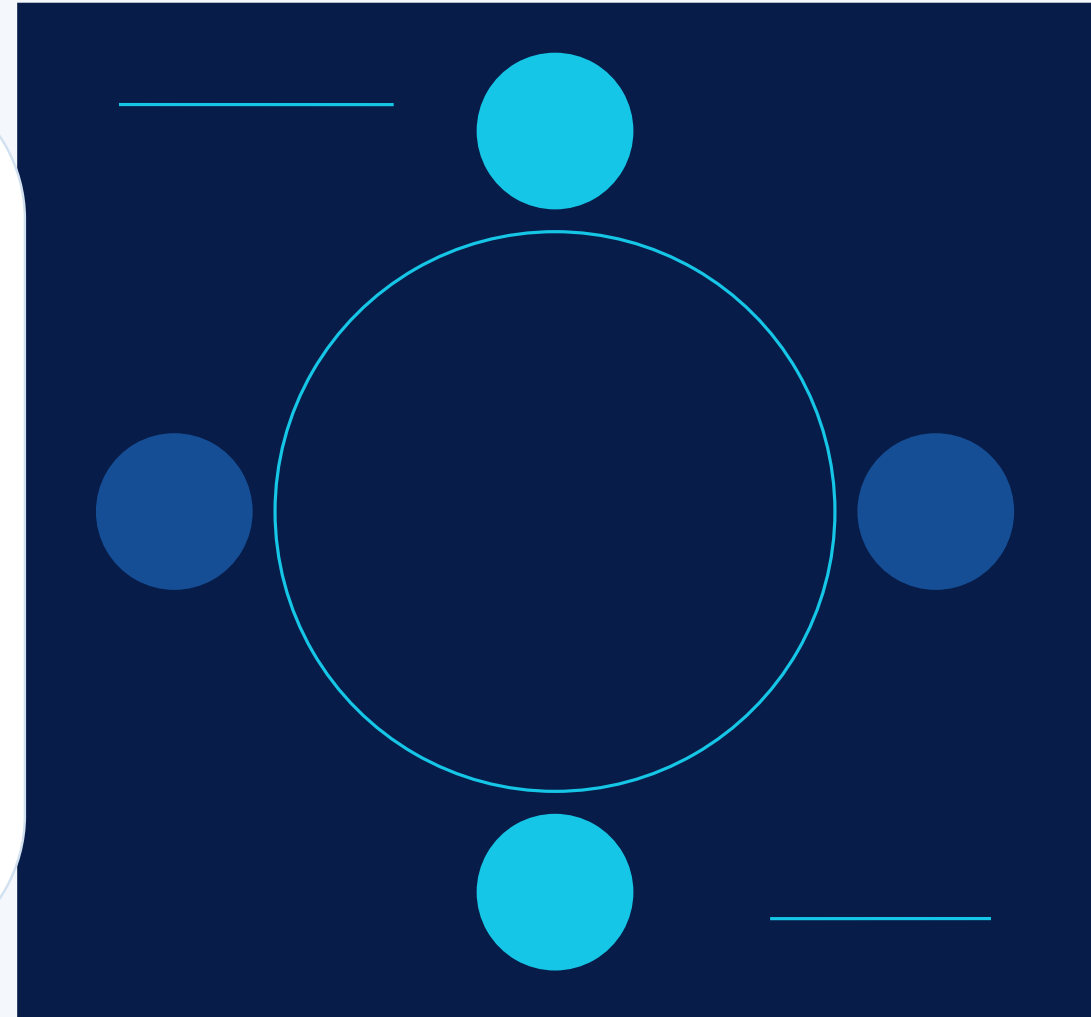
06 Education Systems & Institutional Solutions

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Define institutional challenges in curricula, assessment, digital provision and operations.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

Current-state review, options paper and implementation dependencies.



07 Institutional Excellence & Quality

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Map governance, institutional indicators, review cycles and responsibility for corrective actions.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

Internal improvement framework and documented assessment plan.

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 07 Institutional Excellence & Quality
- 02 Map governance, institutional indicators, review cycles and...
- 03 Internal improvement framework and documented assessment plan.

08 AI & Digital Transformation

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Identify process opportunities; screen privacy, security and human-oversight risks.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

AI opportunity map, bounded-pilot brief and evaluation protocol.

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 08 AI & Digital Transformation
- 02 Identify process opportunities; screen privacy, security and...
- 03 AI opportunity map, bounded-pilot brief and evaluation protocol.

09 Talent Assessment & Workforce Development

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Specify talent needs, role requirements and evidence for strengths and gaps.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

Skills-gap assessment brief, workforce pathway and metrics.

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 09 Talent Assessment & Workforce Development
- 02 Specify talent needs, role requirements and evidence for...
- 03 Skills-gap assessment brief, workforce pathway and metrics.

10 Applied Research & Policy Solutions

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Translate a decision challenge into research questions, evidence requirements and suitable methods.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

Feasibility note, study protocol, evidence synthesis or options report.



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11 Global Observatories & Intelligence

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Define indicator themes, reference sources, refresh cycles and limitations before building a tracker.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

Observatory design, indicator dictionary and evidence provenance log.

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 11 Global Observatories & Intelligence
- 02 Define indicator themes, reference sources, refresh cycles and...
- 03 Observatory design, indicator dictionary and evidence provenance...

12 Intellectual Property & Licensing Office

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Identify source ownership, use permissions, licenses, territories, limitations and third-party rights.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

Rights audit worksheet and outlined licensing requirements.

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 12 Intellectual Property & Licensing Office
- 02 Identify source ownership, use permissions, licenses,...
- 03 Rights audit worksheet and outlined licensing requirements.

13 Digital Publishing & Case Studies

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Document authorship, sources, editorial review, correction and publishing permissions.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

Case-study brief, manuscript checklist, editorial workflow and version log.



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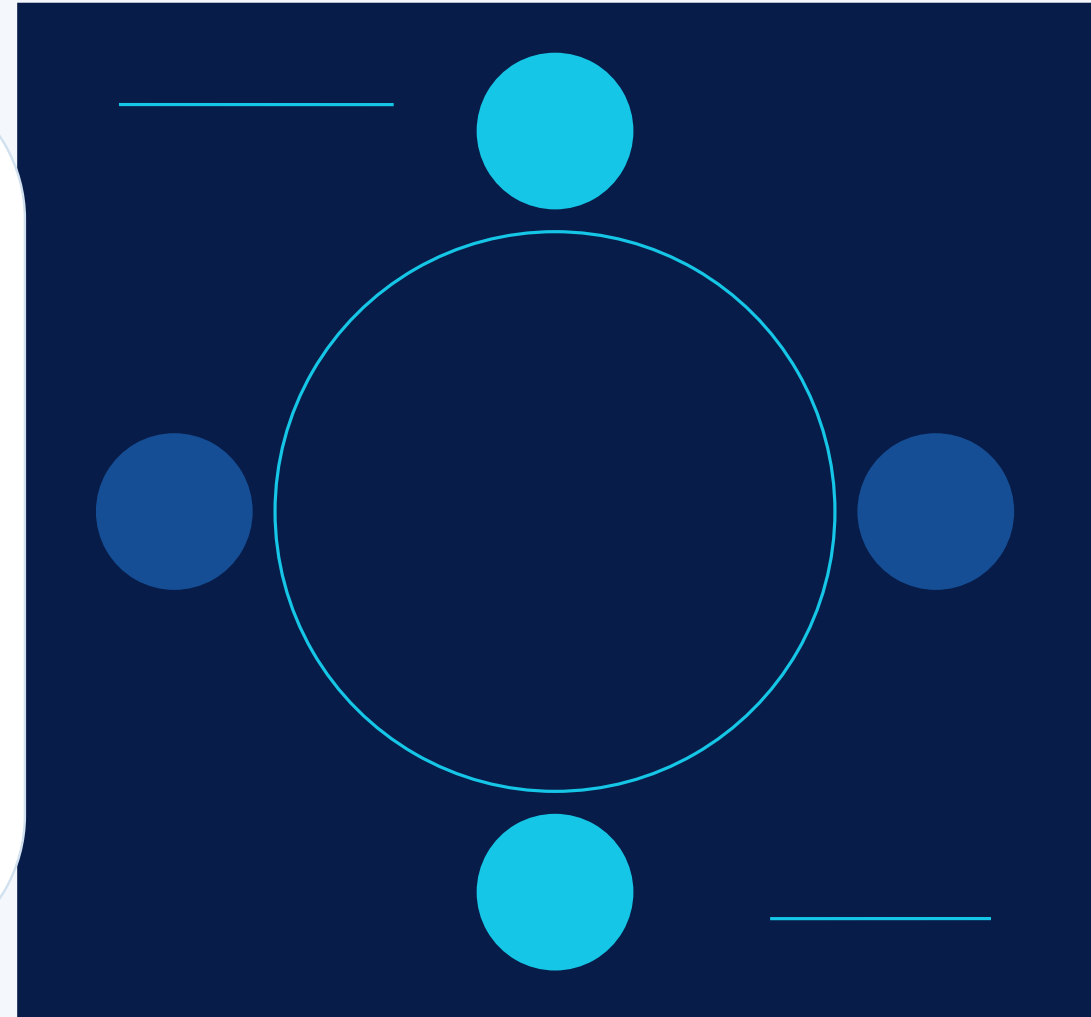
14 Digital Learning Production Studio

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Structure authorised knowledge into media scripts, slides, activities and assessment themes.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

Course specification, content map, media script and QA checklist.



15 Industry & Institutional Alliance Network

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Separate cooperation conversations from signed arrangements; map governance and permissions.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

Alliance feasibility note, due-diligence record and prepare cooperation scope.

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 15 Industry & Institutional Alliance Network
- 02 Separate cooperation conversations from signed arrangements; map...
- 03 Alliance feasibility note, due-diligence record and prepare...

16 Global Academic Pathways & Partnerships

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Define awarding authority, quality, delivery, credit decisions and student protections.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

Partner-readiness matrix and academic-pathway feasibility report.

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 16 Global Academic Pathways & Partnerships
- 02 Define awarding authority, quality, delivery, credit decisions...
- 03 Partner-readiness matrix and academic-pathway feasibility report.

17 Innovation & Venture Studio

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Qualify the problem, user need, risks, intellectual property and bounded pilot criteria.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

Venture hypothesis canvas, experiment design and pilot decision memo.

WHAT THIS COVERS

01 17 Innovation & Venture Studio

02 Qualify the problem, user need, risks, intellectual property and...

03 Venture hypothesis canvas, experiment design and pilot decision...

18 Alumni, Careers & Global Opportunities

FRAMEWORK MANDATE

Explore future career-readiness and graduate-communications resources with verified operators.

CANDIDATE OUTPUT

Opportunity resource map and outlined user-safeguarding framework.



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Evidence gate for center activation

A clear path from published idea to a responsible scoped project.

- Named operator and accountable academic lead.
- Verified delivery capability and permissions.
- Ethics, privacy and intellectual property reviewed.
- Written methods and client responsibility map.
- Public status updated only when supported.

01 Research Feasibility Diagnostic

Research product framework • candidate output and scope

Potential scope

Define a decision question, evidence inventory, technical constraints and next-stage options.

Deliverable

Scoping report and investment decision matrix.

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 Define a decision question, evidence inventory, technical...
- 02 Scoping report and investment decision matrix.
- 03 A scoped decision on the next research stage

02 Rapid Evidence Review

Research product framework • candidate output and scope

Potential scope

Provide a transparent, bounded synthesis of existing evidence without inventing primary research.

Deliverable

Evidence brief, source map and confidence limitations.



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03 Policy Options & Foresight

Research product framework • candidate output and scope

Potential scope

Compare options, stakeholder tradeoffs, scenarios and decision consequences.

Deliverable

Options paper, stakeholder map and risk notes.



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04 University Quality Evidence Review

Research product framework • candidate output and scope

Potential scope

Map documented curriculum, assessment and student-support evidence to a review rubric.

Deliverable

Internal maturity findings and action backlog.

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 Map documented curriculum, assessment and student-support...
- 02 Internal maturity findings and action backlog.
- 03 Assign accountable improvement actions

05 Data & Indicator Blueprint

Research product framework • candidate output and scope

Potential scope

Specify definitions, lineage, access controls and reporting ownership before dashboards.

Deliverable

Indicator dictionary and validation protocol.

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 Specify definitions, lineage, access controls and reporting...
- 02 Indicator dictionary and validation protocol.
- 03 Define source controls and data ownership

06 Observatory Feasibility Design

Research product framework • candidate output and scope

Potential scope

Test whether reliable periodic monitoring is achievable with available sources.

Deliverable

Coverage plan, refresh logic and sample report.

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 Test whether reliable periodic monitoring is achievable with...
- 02 Coverage plan, refresh logic and sample report.
- 03 Set a realistic monitoring refresh plan

07 Digital Research Workflow Blueprint

Research product framework • candidate output and scope

Potential scope

Design end-to-end intake, ethics, data, analysis and publication handoffs.

Deliverable

Workflow map, controls and responsibility matrix.

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 Design end-to-end intake, ethics, data, analysis and publication...
- 02 Workflow map, controls and responsibility matrix.
- 03 Document responsibilities and handoffs

08 Research Partnership Feasibility

Research product framework • candidate output and scope

Potential scope

Define scope, researchers, approvals, rights and methods in cross-institution projects.

Deliverable

Partner due-diligence dossier and outlined MoU scope.



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09 Publishing & Case Study Design

Research product framework • candidate output and scope

Potential scope

Specify editorial stages, authorship, citations, licenses and correction procedures.

Deliverable

Publication brief, editorial checklist and asset register.



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10 Learning Impact Evaluation

Research product framework • candidate output and scope

Potential scope

Determine what outcomes can actually be measured and how to avoid unsupported claims.

Deliverable

Evaluation design, measurement logic and reporting template.

WHAT THIS COVERS

- 01 Determine what outcomes can actually be measured and how to avoid...
- 02 Evaluation design, measurement logic and reporting template.
- 03 Impact measures require verified evidence

Research grounded in evidence.

Knowledge with purpose. Collaboration with clarity.

RESEARCH

Explore published research themes and knowledge resources.

CENTRES

Discover thematic centres and their stated development status.

COLLABORATION

Discuss a clearly scoped research or institutional question.

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Current centre and programme status is stated on the relevant IEU website page.