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| **Definition** | - As per the HERDC definition for the year.  
  - Only Category 1, 2, 3 & 4 income can be included.  
  - See website for specifications | - As per the HERDC definition for the year. See website for specifications.  
  - Material accepted for the Creative Works Collection will be considered equivalent to material from the HERD collection  
  - Documentation may be required to support any other publication outputs. | - As per the Graduate Research Centre definition.  
  - Honours degrees with over 70% research are included.  
  - Non-research Professional Doctorates are excluded |

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| - Amount included = net income invoiced & receipted by VU for the year in which it is claimed.  
  - Income is equally shared among VU CIs listed on the contract | - Author must be named as an author on the publication.  
  - A1 Peer reviewed book requires additional evidence above typical HERDC specification | - Only HDR completions at VU can be included.  
  - Pts can be claimed in the year the student is classified |

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| - $45,000 = 1 pt (i.e. average $15,000 per year for three years)  
  - Amounts over $45,000 are added as a proportion of a pt.  
  - e.g. $200,000 total over three years attracts 200000/45000 = 4.44 pts | - A1 Peer Reviewed Book: 10/3 pts  
  - A1 Book: 5/3 pts  
  - B Book chapter: 1/3 pt  
  - C1 Journal: 1/3 pt  
  - E1 Conference: 1/3 pt | - Research Doctorates & PhD: 1 pt * student FTE  
  - Masters by Research: 2/3 pts * student FTE  
  - Honours: 1/3 pts*student FTE |

| Quality weightings (multipliers) | Uses 2010 ERA Rankings  
Journals:  
A* = 6  
A = 4  
B = 2  
C/unranked = 1  
Conferences:  
A = 4  
B = 2  
C = 1  
Unranked = 0.25 | None |

| Collaboration weightings (multipliers) | Publications with multiple authors attract a collaboration weighting of 1.25 (ie add 25%). | Principal supervisor weighting: 1  
Co-supervisor weighting: 0.5 |

| How gathered | Typically during the HERDC collection from February in each year. HERDC is finalised 30 June. | Typically during the HERDC collection from February in each year.  
HERDC is finalised 30 June.  
Additional publications can be added by researchers via advice to Data Team. | PhD and Master completions are automatically calculated from Graduate Research Centre  
Honours completions data are collected from Schools (now Colleges) |

| New staff | New staff can apply to have HERD-eligible income from previous grants included.  
Evidence must be obtained proving that the income was the net receipted income attributed to the researcher. | New staff can provide CVs to include publications authored prior to joining. | Only students graduating at VU are included |

HERDC specifications are published online at:  