

Number of Grants per Business Guide

R&D Student Grants

The following information is a guide only to provide businesses with an indication of the maximum number of student grants they may be able to receive from Callaghan Innovation. Every business is different, however, so please talk to us first about what may be suitable for your business.

A business may receive multiple student grants at any one time, depending on the size of its R&D team and if it has the capability to support the students adequately. The key consideration is that you have the appropriate environment to provide the students with a meaningful commercial/R&D experience – this includes the ability to commit time and resource towards the student’s learning and development.

The table below presents the number of grants a business may be able to receive at any one time. A business can have any combination of the three types of student grants but shouldn’t exceed the maximums as recorded below. A business must have at least one full time equivalent* employed in R&D to be eligible for a student grant.

RATIO OF R&D FTE TO STUDENTS	
A business may receive 1 student for every 2 full time equivalents (FTE) employed in R&D, up to the maximum (caps) below.	
Exception: A business with only 1 FTE employed in R&D may receive 1 student.	
CAP PER BUSINESS ON TYPES OF STUDENTS	
Grant type	Maximum number of students ¹ per business at any one time (after applying the ratio)
Experience Grant	10
Fellowship Grant	5
Career Grant	10
EXAMPLES OF ELIGIBILITY BASED ON R&D FTE	
Full time equivalent (FTE) employed in R&D ²	Maximum number of students ¹ per business at any one time
Under 1	0
1 – 3	1
4 – 5	2
6 – 7	3
8 – 9	4
10 – 11	5
20	10
25	12
51+	25 (5 Fellowship, 10 Career, and 10 Experience)

¹ ‘Students’ refers to the number of students that are funded by Callaghan Innovation

² This may be cumulative e.g. 2x 0.5 FTE. Please do not include any other students funded by Callaghan Innovation in your FTE count.

Note: You will record your business’s R&D FTE numbers in your Student Grant application form.