

## Research ideas: 2018 Margery C Ramsay Scholarship

These ideas reflect a range of themes of interest within the Victorian public library network. The list is intended to spark ideas and is not exhaustive. Applicants are equally welcome to propose other research topics in their scholarship program. All applications will be assessed on merit based on the assessment criteria outlined in the scholarship guidelines.

Further information about the scholarship is available at [State Library Victoria's Margery C Ramsay web page](#).

### Community engagement

- Services for specific community groups (e.g. CALD / Indigenous)
- Services for rural/remote communities
- Emerging areas of community need
- Connecting communities with collections / exhibitions / physical and virtual
- Use of social media in libraries
- Marketing library services
- Volunteering in libraries

### Content creation

- Libraries supporting creativity / content creation / creative spaces / maker spaces
- Community publishing

### Library operations

- Allocation of space within libraries / co-location
- IT strategy in libraries
- Workforce training and development

### Literacy and learning

- Libraries supporting early / teen / adult literacy
- Reader development / reading promotion / reading communities (children / teen / adult)
- Digital literacy
- Online learning

### Partnerships and collaboration

- Libraries working in partnership (e.g. with cultural organisations / community organisations / schools / adult education providers / businesses)
- Libraries supporting literary tourism