

## Appendix A: Research Statement Template

Each application for the VU Creative Works as Research Collection must be accompanied by a Research Statement. This Research Statement contains no more than 250 words. It makes a succinct case for the work's *contribution*, its *scale*, and its *quality* (in terms of both *importance* and *esteem*). Please read the 'Submissions to the Creative Works as Research Collection' section of these guidelines for detailed explanations of these key criteria.

The research statement should be expressed in plain language (accessible to readers who are not expert in your field). It should summarise the rationale for the submission by making clear how the attached evidence relates to the claims made in each of the key criteria. The evidence should be attached behind the research statement.

**Research Contribution (field, context, research questions addressed, innovation, new knowledge)**

**Research Scale (how the work fits the classification – major, substantial, or minor – that you have assigned it to)**

**Research Quality (evidence of international importance, evidence of esteem through peer review)**