

APPLICATION GUIDELINES FOR RESEARCH COMMITTEE HONOURS SCHOLARSHIPS

Why do an honours year?

The Honours year enables students to undertake hands-on research that you have a major role in planning under the supervision of an experienced investigator. For many students, it is the logical next step to a career in science, and serves as the gateway to a PhD, with the goal of becoming an independent researcher. More broadly, the Honours Programme is designed to provide a sound training in critical thinking skills, scientific communication and personal organisation.

Eligibility

To be eligible for a Research Committee Honours Scholarship, candidates will have completed a Bachelor's Degree in the biological or health sciences, preferably with a credit or above, having taken subjects appropriate to their project of interest.

The research project on which the training is based shall be performed within the Hanson Institute incorporating the Royal Adelaide Hospital, the Institute of Medical and Veterinary Science or academic departments operating within, or associated with, the Hospital, IMVS, Hanson Institute or Medical School Campus.

In order that adequate supervision can be provided, the principal supervisor shall, except in special circumstances, be a member of the staff of the Hospital, or a member of the staff of the Hanson Institute, the Institute of Medical and Veterinary Science, or the University of Adelaide who has a substantial commitment to the Royal Adelaide Hospital or Hanson Institute.

Conditions of Award

1. A payment of \$2000 will be made (in two instalments) to successful candidates upon commencement of the Honours programme.
2. Successful applicants must be enrolled in an Honours Programme at a University. Documentary evidence must be produced to verify that this is the case before the scholarship is awarded.
3. Where appropriate, human or animal ethics clearance is required prior to commencement of the scholarship.

Applications

Applications are considered by the Scholarship/Fellowship Subcommittee of the Research Committee.

The completed application should be provided in the following format:

Name and address of applicant

Department/Laboratory in which you will be located.

Short title of research project

Brief lay description of the research project, including aims, hypotheses, background and experimental plan. The project description should be no more than one page in length. No more than five references should be cited in the main body of the application.

Proposed supervisor's details (Name, Laboratory and University School)

List of Supervisor's publications in refereed journals over the last 3 years.

List of Supervisor's external, peer-reviewed funding (past and present over the last 3 years).

The application must be endorsed with:

- (a) the approval and assessment of the nominated supervisor who should indicate willingness to carry out supervision, and
- (b) the approval of the head of the department in which the work is to be carried out.

A copy of your academic transcript must also be attached to the application.

The original (hard copy) signed application should be forwarded or delivered to:

**Manager, Research Secretariat
Level 3, IMVS Building
Hanson Institute
PO Box 14, Rundle Mall
South Australia 5000**

APPLICATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 30 November 2007

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