

**The University of Adelaide, Faculty of Health Sciences Research Committee
Postgraduate Travelling Fellowships for Health Science Research 2009**

Purpose:

To provide financial support for eligible applicants in order to further their research career by:

- attending international conferences to present papers and
- visiting leading academic institutions for the purposes of establishing collaborations, determining possible postdoctoral opportunities and engaging in academic dialogue.

In 2009, a sum of \$45,000 has been allocated to support this scheme.

Closing Dates for the Receipt of Applications :

For travel commencing during the period: 1 March 2009 - 30 September 2009 (**closing date: 23 February 2009**)

For travel commencing during the period: 1 October 2009 - 28 February 2010 (**closing date: 1 September 2009**).

Financial Support:

A contribution of up to **\$2,500** may be provided for travel (economy return air fare, other travel expenses providing the most economical and reasonable form of transport is used), conference registration fee and accommodation. Subsistence must only apply to the conference(s) and the laboratory visit(s). The length of the laboratory visit must be specified in the letter of invitation. It is acknowledged that the sum granted will be insufficient to cover all expenses. Successful applicants are expected to supplement the fellowship from other means. Preference will be given to eligible applicants who have not previously attended an international conference overseas. In the event of attendance at a previous conference an indication of the funding source(s) would be appreciated.

Eligibility for a Postgraduate Travelling Fellowship:

Applicants must:

- be enrolled full-time (*third year*) or part-time equivalent for a higher degree by research at PhD or MD level in the Faculty of Health Sciences or in the Discipline of Physiology at The University of Adelaide;
- be presenting at an international conference (***NB: The conference abstract must clearly indicate the affiliation with The University of Adelaide***) and be visiting at least one academic institution for the purpose of:
 - *establishing possible postdoctoral opportunities *or*
 - *engaging in academic dialogue (e.g. learning a new technique which is not established in the laboratories of their supervisor(s); performing experiments which are only possible in that laboratory and which are an integral component of their postgraduate studies; writing papers/ reports);
- have complied with the rules as set out in the Research Student Handbook
Refer: <http://www.adelaide.edu.au/graduatecentre/handbook/>;
- have applied for other external or internal sources of funding;
- have obtained financial support of at least **\$750** from their School/Discipline/Unit or supervisor(s);
- have letters of support from the supervisor(s);
- have a letter of acceptance of conference abstract (which can be forwarded after submission of the application) and a letter of invitation/acceptance from the Head of the hosting academic institution;
- must not have received previous postgraduate travelling fellowship funding from the Faculty;
- write a report to be supplied within one month of return (include anything that may be of interest to the media unit, particularly in terms of any potential benefits of your research activities to the community); and a follow-up report one year later re: any additional outcomes (e.g. papers, postdoctoral positions, fellowships, prizes).

Assessment Criteria:

- Scientific merit of paper to be presented and proposed activity at academic institution;
- Expected training and career benefit of proposed activities;
- Track record of applicant (publications, abstracts, prizes, other indicators of academic achievement);
- International standing of academic institution.

CLOSING DATE (Round 2, 2009):

Applications on the appropriate form (the original plus 3 copies) are to be submitted to:
Stella Richards in the Faculty Research Secretariat by 4 pm, **Tuesday 1 September 2009**.

****The guidelines & application form can be accessed at: <http://health.adelaide.edu.au/research/grants/>**

May 01, Aug 01, Jan 02, Jan 03, Jul 03, Nov 03, Jul 04, Dec 04; Dec 05; Jul 06; Dec 06, Jan 08; Dec 08; Jul 09