

MARY ELIZABETH COURIER RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP - CONDITIONS

The Mary Elizabeth Courier Research Scholarship was established in 2008 in her memory by the generous bequest of her late husband, Auguste John Courier. As per the specific instructions of the bequest, the scholarship is to be used for research into cancer amongst women; one or both of cancer of the cervix and cancer of the uterus.

Purpose

For research into cancer amongst women; specifically, cancer of the cervix and/or uterus.

Eligibility

Open to medical graduates within five (5) years of the award of a Masters or PhD, who are normally resident in Australia or New Zealand.

Tenure

Up to three (3) years.

Scholarship Funds

AUD\$40,000 per annum (up to \$120,000 in total).

Applications

Applications must be submitted using the RANZCOG Women's Health Foundation Application Form (Research-Based), together with other information as specified on that form. Applicants and their Supervisor must provide written assurance that resources will be available to ensure completion of the research.

The date for receipt of applications is 30 June.

Applications are assessed by the RANZCOG Research Grants Committee (RGC) in accordance with the Policy on Research Grant Assessment.

Administration

The Scholarship is to be undertaken in a hospital, university department or research institute in Australia or New Zealand.

Time spent undertaking the Scholarship may be recognised for part of the pre-Fellowship training for FRANZCOG, RANZCOG subspecialist training or towards the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) program requirements of the College for Fellows.

Reporting

Scholarship recipients must submit the following reports to the RANZCOG Women's Health Foundation for review by the RGC:

Each must be submitted on the form(s) provided and include a letter of endorsement from the Research Project Supervisor.

Progress Report/s (for two (2) and three (3) year scholarships)

- Due six (6) months (for two (2) year scholarships) or six (6) and 18 months (for three (3) year scholarships) into the project.
- Must be approved by the RGC prior to confirmation of the second and third years of the Scholarship.

Final Report

- Due by 31 January in the year following completion of the research.
- Must include a Summary Report (maximum 200 words), which provides a lay summary of the research project undertaken. This may be considered for publication in *O&G* magazine and may also be used for other promotional purposes by RANZCOG.

Acknowledgement

The RANZCOG Women's Health Foundation is to be acknowledged in any publication or thesis resulting from work undertaken during the tenure of the Scholarship by stating that the author was the recipient of the Mary Elizabeth Courier Research Scholarship for a particular period. A copy of any published article arising from research carried out under this scholarship is to be submitted to the Foundation when available.

Promotion

RANZCOG may publish details of the scholarship recipient and the associated research project, (including the Lay Summary), for promotional, educational, or membership activities in all forms of media now known or later developed, including but not limited to, the RANZCOG website, Facebook, Twitter, advertising, presentations, and marketing materials.

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