Arthur Wilson Memorial Scholarship Conditions of Award



The Arthur Wilson Memorial Scholarship was established in 1987 with funds from the Arthur Wilson Memorial Foundation. The Foundation had been created in 1951 after a public appeal was launched to perpetuate the memory of the late Arthur Wilson, an outstanding gynaecologist and obstetrician.

Purpose

For research in any aspect of obstetrics and gynaecology and related disciplines.

Eligibility

Open to graduates in medicine, or science within five (5) years of the award of a Masters or PhD*. The Scholarship is to be undertaken in a hospital, university department or research institute in Australia or New Zealand.

Tenure

Two (2) years, conditional upon the approval of a progress report six (6) months into the scholarship.

Scholarship Funds

AUD\$30,000 per annum (\$60,000 in total).

Applications

- Applications are to be submitted online through the Good Grants platform.
- The date for receipt of applications is 30 June.
- Applications are assessed by the RANZCOG Research Grants Committee.

Presentation

The successful recipient will be offered the opportunity to be presented with the scholarship at an appropriate RANZCOG event. Please note there is no funding available, and therefore attendance is at the expense of the recipient. In situations where the recipient is unable to attend the offered events, awards will be posted.

Administration

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

Reporting

Scholarship recipients must submit the following reports to the RANZCOG Women's Health Foundation. Each must be submitted on the form(s) provided and include a letter of endorsement from the Research Project Supervisor:

Progress Report

Due six (6) months into the project (i.e. normally by 31 July). Must be approved by the RGC prior to confirmation of the second year of the Fellowship.

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Final Report

One month following the completion of the scholarship period (i.e. normally by 31 July of the second year) unless otherwise stipulated, the scholarship recipient must submit a Final Report to the RANZCOG Women's Health Foundation.

This report will be reviewed by the RGC and 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/or used for other promotional purposes by ACW and RANZCOG.

Final Scholarship Report

If for any reason the scholarship recipient cannot complete their research project by the conclusion of the scholarship period, the recipient must notify the RANZCOG Women's Health Foundation prior to the report due date via email foundation@ranzcog.edu.au to seek approval from the RGC for an extension. If an extension is approved an additional Final Report must be submitted to the RANZCOG Women's Health Foundation at the conclusion of their project.

Variations to the project

Should the need arise for the project scope and/or funding to be varied please send an email to foundation@ranzcog.edu.au to request a Scholarship Variance Form. Your request will be reviewed by the RGC. Please note there is not any scope to request extra funding.

Acknowledgment

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 Arthur Wilson Memorial Scholarship for a particular period. A copy of any published article arising from research carried out under the Arthur Wilson Memorial Scholarship is to be submitted to the RANZCOG Foundation when available.

Promotion

RANZCOG may publish details of the grant recipient and the associated project, including the lay description and/or 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.

*Applicants with career disruption should not be disadvantaged when determining their eligibility to apply for RANZCOG Women's Health Foundation grants. During peer review significant career disruption of applicants will be considered in terms of years since they received their Masters or PhD. For such grants, the five (5) year limit post Masters or PhD may be extended commensurate with the period of the career disruption.

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