

# Vets Central Veterinary Grant

## Grant Regulations

### **Focus**

Veterinary Science

### **Level of Study**

Undergraduate

### **Purpose**

The purpose of the Vets Central Veterinary Grant is to support 5<sup>th</sup> year Massey University Bachelor of Veterinary Science students in seeing veterinary practice in Australia.

### **Background**

Vets Central (<http://www.vetscentral.com.au/>) is a dynamic and rapidly growing group with 62 clinics across Australia and New Zealand. A veterinary career with Vets Central offers an exciting environment within a network of well-established practices and experienced teams. With us, you'll not only enjoy a rewarding career – you'll also make a real difference. We offer excellent benefits, development opportunities, flexible working arrangements and other tools to help you thrive in your chosen career. Vets Central offer a 24-month New Grad Program (<http://newgrads.vet/>) in their clinics which is designed to support a new veterinary graduate in successfully transitioning from university to a professional career in general practice.

### **Value and Tenure**

The value of the grant is AU\$1,500 and the tenure is one year.

### **Typical Number on Offer**

Typically, 2 grants will be offered each year.

## **Eligibility**

Applicants must be currently enrolled full time in the fifth year of the Bachelor of Veterinary Science at Massey University.

Applicants should have a particular interest in working in small animal practice or mixed animal practice and be willing to attend practice in a Vet Central clinic in Australia for clinical placement.

## **Selection Criteria**

Selection is based on a written statement on the applicants interests and career intentions. Academic merit may also be taken into consideration. An interview process may also be undertaken to select a successful student.

## **Selection Committee**

The grants will be awarded by the University Scholarships Selection Committee on the recommendation of Vets Central.

## **Conditions of the Grant**

Recipients will be expected to see practice at a Vets Central clinic during the award year. Payment will be made as a lump sum upon seeing practice.

The Selection Committee shall, in the exercise of its absolute discretion, afford consideration to the following criteria:

- Desire to relocate to Australia upon graduate (30%)
- Rationale for selecting a particular Vets Central practice (30%);
- Interest in Vets Central graduate program (20%);
- Demonstrated commitment to studies and academic merit (10%);
- Passion for veterinary science and career path (10%).

The selection committee reserves the right not to award a grant in any year if, in the opinion of the Selection Committee, there is no candidate of sufficient merit to warrant an award.