

# Dr Eileen Fair Doctoral Scholarship in Earth Science

## Scholarship Regulations

### Focus

Earth Science

### Level of Study

Doctoral

### Purpose

The Dr Eileen Fair Doctoral Scholarship in Earth Science has been established to support and encourage doctoral students to complete their study in Earth Science.

### Background

Dr Eileen Fair first graduated from Massey University in 1966 with a Bachelor of Science degree, continuing into postgraduate study completing a Massey Master of Science in 1968. Her master's research identified the date of the formation of the Manawatū river valley. She was awarded a scholarship to study her PhD at Southern Illinois University, USA, completing in 1974. Her research focused on the relationship between limestone weathering in stalagmites and stalactites to energy and water budgets. Dr Fair returned to New Zealand and has had a highly successful career as a businesswomen based in Palmerston North.

### Value and Tenure

The value of the scholarship is \$25,000 per annum for two years.

### Typical Number on Offer

One scholarship will be awarded every three years.

### Eligibility

Applicants must:

- be a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident
- be from the mid central district (Whanganui, Manawatū, Tararua, Hawke's Bay)
- have completed postgraduate research in either geomorphology, geology, climatology, or soil science

- be enrolled or intending to enrol full time in a Doctor of Philosophy in a research area related to Earth Science at Massey University

Applicants must meet the admission requirements and be eligible to enrol in a PhD at Massey University.

### **Selection Criteria**

Selection will be based on:

- academic merit
- two referee's reports- one academic and one character

### **Selection Committee**

The scholarship will be awarded by the University Scholarship Advisory Committee based on the recommendation of the Head of Academic Unit, Agriculture and Environment, or nominee, and a representative of the estate of Dr Eileen Fair.

The Committee has the right to refrain from making the award if there are no suitable applicants.

### **Conditions of the Scholarship**

The scholarship may be held in conjunction with other scholarships, bursaries, or awards, so long as those scholarships, bursaries or awards permit co-tenure.

Payments will be made in the form of a monthly stipend for a maximum of 24 months.