

Mona and Rex McClenaghan Veterinary Scholarship

Scholarship Regulations

Focus

Research on the health and welfare of dogs

Level of Study

Masters or Doctoral Research

Purpose

The Mona and Rex McClenaghan Veterinary Scholarship was established to support talented veterinarians to pursue postgraduate study primarily into canine health, and welfare, including the societal and personal benefits of pet ownership.

Background

Mona McClenaghan lived most of her life in Grey Lynn, Auckland. When Mona was young her parents bought a house in the area and, when Mona was older, she bought the neighbouring farmstead where she raised her own family and a variety of animals and pets.

Over her lifetime, Mona and her family kept goldfish, sheep and chickens on the property, bred dogs (Afghan Hounds), and had family pets including Airedale Terriers, cats, rabbits, birds and Texas Tortoises. Mona's younger son, Rex, worked in show business in Sydney, Hong Kong, the Philippines and Hawaii. He was a regular horseback rider, and at one point in his life, he even owned a tiger.

This scholarship has been established to remember and honour Mona and Rex's lifelong love for all types of animals.

Value and Tenure

The value of the scholarship is \$50,000 per annum.

The tenure of a master's scholarship will be up to 1.5 years, and the tenure of a doctoral scholarship will be up to 3 years.

Typical Number on Offer

Typically, either a master's scholarship or a doctoral scholarship will be awarded annually, to be determined by the quality of applicants and available funds.

Eligibility

Applicants must be:

- enrolled or intending to enrol in a Master of Veterinary Studies or a Doctor of Philosophy within the School of Veterinary Science, Massey University
- undertaking research into the health and welfare of dogs, or undertaking research into the impact of pet ownership on owners
- New Zealand citizens or permanent residents are preferred, but international student applications will be accepted and considered

Selection Criteria

Selection is based on the applicant's intended research and their demonstrated passion for canine health and welfare. Academic merit may also be taken into consideration.

Selection Committee

The selection committee will comprise of the University's Scholarships Selection Committee on the recommendation of a panel consisting of academic staff in the School of Veterinary Science, Massey University.

Conditions of the Scholarship

The scholarship will be paid in monthly instalments.

Co-tenure is permitted with other scholarships, bursaries, and awards as long as the other scholarships, bursaries and awards permit co-tenure.

The selection committee can refrain from making an award if in their opinion there are no suitable applicants.