

HOPE Foundation Scholarship for Research on Ageing

Scholarship Regulations

Focus

Ageing

Level of Study

Postgraduate

Purpose

The HOPE Foundation Scholarships are intended to support and encourage University researchers into the ageing field, so a strong academic focus can be developed for New Zealand's future needs.

Background

The HOPE Foundation for Research on Ageing is a Charitable Trust established in 1994 to prepare New Zealand for an ageing future. The mission of the Foundation is to:

- Lead and resource the funding of people doing research on ageing
- Disseminate research-based information about the effects of ageing on individuals and society
- Help develop the pool of researchers who study ageing in New Zealand
- Influence decision-makers to improve the quality of life for ageing New Zealanders

Value and Tenure

The value of a scholarship is \$6,000.

The scholarship is tenable for one year but may be renewable for up to three years on application.

The scholarship is co-tenable with any other award.

Typical Number on Offer

Typically, one scholarship will be awarded per year, with the opportunity for additional awards dependent on the caliber of applications.

Eligibility

Applicants must be:

- a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident. Note, while the HOPE Foundation Scholarships are tenable by students who are New Zealand citizens or permanent residents of New Zealand, there is however discretion to also consider applications from international students of merit, who are doing postgraduate research study at a New Zealand University.
- enrolled or be intending to enrol full-time or part-time for a master's or doctoral thesis at Massey University in a topic related to ageing.

Applications will be accepted from a wide range of disciplines in line with the HOPE Foundation's philosophy of encouraging eclectic research into ageing and its effects on individuals and society.

Selection Criteria

The selection will be based on:

- the quality of the research proposal,
- the relevance of the research to the ageing population and the HOPE Foundation's objectives,
- academic merit of the applicant as measured by the grade point average assessed over the applicant's two most recent years of equivalent full-time study.

Selection Committee

The scholarship is awarded by the University Scholarships Selection Committee on the recommendation of the HOPE Foundation Selection Committee.

Conditions of the Scholarship

Recipients will be expected to acknowledge the support of the HOPE Foundation in any publication, monograph, report or presentation that results from the research.

The Foundation will not restrict the publication of research results by the recipient of a scholarship. However, from time to time, in order to enhance its own public profile as a research-supporting entity, the Foundation will negotiate with research teams the publication of reports on research progress and/or outcomes in some agreed form.

Recipients will be expected to report progress to the HOPE Foundation at the end of each year and to provide a final report on the completed research.

Recipients will be asked to provide a current photograph for publicity purposes.

The Scholarships Committee, in consultation with the HOPE Foundation has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship, if it receives an unsatisfactory report on the progress of a Scholar from the Head of the Academic Unit in which the recipient is enrolled.

The Scholarships Committee has the power to amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the HOPE Foundation, provided there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarships.

The scholarship will be paid in two equal instalments upon confirmation of enrolment in semesters one and two, following the official withdrawal dates for these semesters.

The Selection Committee is not obligated to make an award in any year if it determines that there are no applications of sufficient merit.