

Francis & Phyllis Thornell-Shore Research Scholarship

Research Guideline GDL-4854

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Governing Policy: POL-4832 Research Scholarship Policy

Eligibility summary	RACS Fellows, SIMGs, SET Trainees and SET applicants
Interest area	Higher degree medical research

The Francis & Phyllis Mary Thornell-Shore Medical Research Scholarship supports surgeons and Trainees who wish to take time away from clinical positions to undertake a research project with a focus on medical research.

The scholarship was established in recognition of Mr and Mrs Thornell-Shore who left the bulk of their estate in a trust to promote medical research.

Conditions

This guideline outlines information specific to the respective scholarship's purpose, value, duration, conditions and recipient eligibility. For all the conditions for this scholarship it is essential that you also read the Research Policy.

Applicant eligibility

Applications are open to Fellows, Specialist International Medical Graduates (SIMGs), SET Trainees and SET applicants. Applicants must be enrolled (or are intending to enrol) in a higher degree such as a Masters or PhD.

Eligible activity

A medical research project undertaken at an approved research institute under the supervision of an experienced investigator.

Selection process

Selection is assessed via written application with shortlisted applicants invited to interview.

The selection panel is comprised of the Chair and two members of the ANZ Scholarship and Grant Committee.

Financial arrangements

The scholarship will be paid to the administering institution upon receipt of a valid tax invoice as requested by the Scholarships and Grants department. Payment will be made in one instalment prior to 1 March in the scholarship year.

This scholarship is made up of a stipend component and a departmental component.

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