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Margorie Hooper Scholarship

The Margorie Hooper Scholarship supports a surgeon or Trainee to undertake postgraduate studies and/or learn a new surgical skill that will benefit the surgical community of South Australia. This scholarship was established following a bequest from the late Margorie Hooper of South Australia.

Conditions

Applicant eligibility

Applicants need to be:

- a RACS Fellow, Specialist International Medical Graduate (SIMG) or SET Trainee
- a permanent resident of South Australia

For the purpose of postgraduate study or training, applicants may reside temporarily outside South Australia but must intend to live and work in the state following the conclusion of their scholarship. SET applicants are ineligible.

Eligible activity

The scholarship supports the recipient to undertake postgraduate study while temporarily residing outside the state of South Australia (either in Australia or overseas).

The approved travel program must commence by the end of the awarded scholarship year.

Application

The application is to include a submission outlining the proposed benefit of the applicant's program to the South Australian surgical community along with a statement on why funding is required.

Documentary evidence must be provided to show that the applicant is intending to return to South Australia to live and work following the conclusion of their scholarship.

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Selection Process

Preference will be given to surgeons wishing to travel overseas to undertake postgraduate studies or learn a new surgical skill that will be of benefit to the surgical community of South Australia.

The selection panel is comprised of at least three members of the South Australian Regional Committee.

Recipient obligations

It is mandatory for the recipient to present at the SA, NT & WA Annual Scientific Meeting (ASM) which is usually held in August of each year. This presentation should outline the results of their scholarship year and/or any research project that was funded by this scholarship. This presentation should occur at the ASM in the year following the scholarship activity. Note that the tristate ASM is held in SA, NT & WA on a rotational basis, therefore the recipient would need to make themselves available to present in the host state.

Financial arrangements

The scholarship will be paid directly to the recipient 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.

Scholarship funding consists of a stipend only.

There is a provision for the reimbursement of accommodation and travel costs associated with the proposed travel program of up to \$10,000. Invoices and receipts of expenses are to be provided at the conclusion of the scholarship period for reimbursement.



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