

PURPOSE

The purpose of this scholarship is to enable a suitably qualified graduate to carry out, under the supervision of a member of staff appointed by the College, a program of study in the College of Science and Engineering leading to a research higher degree.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for consideration for the award of a College of Science and Engineering Research Award:

- be an Australian citizen, or a New Zealand citizen or an Australian permanent resident at the closing date of applications; or be an international student who has completed an honours degree or equivalent qualification at an Australian University no more than two years prior to the application closing date; and
- have completed at least four years of tertiary education studies at a high level of achievement and have an appropriate first class Honours degree or an equivalent qualification; and
- be currently admitted, or be eligible for admission, to a Masters degree by research or Doctorate by research in the College of Science and Engineering; and
- intend to enrol as full-time students (part-time awards are available in certain, limited circumstances).

A College of Science and Engineering Research Award will not normally be awarded to an applicant who:

- is in receipt of an award which directly duplicates the purpose of the College of Science and Engineering Research Award;
- is on paid study leave;
- holds a fractional academic appointment;
- is seeking the award to undertake a second higher degree at the same level of a previously awarded degree.

SELECTION

Selection of award holders will be undertaken by the Scholarships Committee on the basis of academic merit and research potential.

Applications will be ranked according to the University's *Guidelines for Ranking Postgraduate Research Scholarship Applications*.

A small number of College of Science and Engineering Research Awards will normally be offered each year. The highest-ranked eligible postgraduate research scholarship applicants, who do not obtain Australian Government Research Training Program Scholarship, or Flinders University Research Scholarships in the main scholarships round will be awarded the scholarships.

The highest-ranked eligible College of Science and Engineering applicants in the mid-year offering will be awarded the available scholarships.

APPLICATION

Applications for College of Science and Engineering Research Awards will be called for each year; a mid-year offering, and in conjunction with the main scholarships round Closing dates published on the Flinders website.

BENEFITS AND TENURE

The College of Science and Engineering Research Award provides an annual stipend, leave and allowances equivalent to a Flinders University Research Scholarship. The scholarship provides a Research Training Program (RTP) fee offset to Australian citizens, New Zealand citizens or Australian Permanent residents.

The College of Science and Engineering Research Award is tenable at Flinders University for up to three years for a Doctorate by research, or up to two years for a Masters degree by research, subject to satisfactory progress.

A limited number of tuition fee waivers may be available for international students (maximum duration, 3.5 years for PhD and 1.5 years for a Master of Arts by research). Tuition fee waiver recipients must remain in Australia for the majority of their candidature. International students who are not in receipt of a tuition fee waiver will be required to pay the normal tuition fees charged by the university.

The tenure of the scholarship will be determined in accordance with the Flinders University Research Scholarship conditions of award.

Other Conditions

A recipient of a College of Science and Engineering Research Award must lodge an application for an Australian Government Research Program Training Scholarship, or a Flinders University Research Award tenable at Flinders University in each year of tenure of their College of Science and Engineering Research Award.

In the event that a recipient of a College of Science and Engineering Research Award is successful in being awarded an Australian Government Research Training Program Scholarship, or a Flinders University Research Award, they will be required to relinquish their College of Science and Engineering Research Award.

Except where otherwise indicated in these rules, College of Science and Engineering Research Awards will be administered in accordance with the Flinders University Research Scholarship conditions of award.