

AJ & IM Naylor PhD Scholarship

Conditions of Award



Please retain these Conditions of Award as this document forms part of your agreement with the University.

1 PURPOSE

The purpose of the AJ & IM Naylor Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) 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 leading to a PhD relevant to agriculture and inland aquaculture, particularly in the areas of biodiversity and conservation, biotechnology, environmental health or environmental protection.

2 ELIGIBILITY

- 2.1 To be eligible for the AJ & IM Naylor PhD scholarship, a student must:
- be an Australian citizen or a New Zealand citizen or an Australian permanent resident at the closing date for applications; and
 - intend to commence full time study for a PhD, for the first time, in the year for which the award is offered; and
 - have completed a Bachelors degree with First Class Honours, or an equivalent level of academic attainment.
- 2.2 An AJ & IM Naylor PhD scholarship will not be awarded to a student who:
- is in receipt of an award which directly duplicates the purpose of the AJ & IM Naylor PhD scholarship; and/or
 - is on paid study leave; and/or
 - holds a fractional academic appointment; and/or
 - holds a Research Doctorate or equivalent.

3 APPLICATION

Applications are submitted via the student information system available via the Flinders University website: <https://www.flinders.edu.au/study/apply/apply-research-degree/how-to-apply>

4 SELECTION

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

Applications will be ranked according to the Higher Degree by Research Scholarship Ranking Guidelines.

The AJ & IM Naylor PhD Scholarship will be awarded to the highest ranked eligible post graduate research scholarship applicant in the field of agriculture and inland aquaculture, particularly in the areas of biodiversity and conservation, biotechnology, environmental health, environmental protection

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5 TENURE.

- 5.1 An AJ & IM Naylon PhD Scholarship is tenable for three years and six months full-time.
- 5.2 A part-time AJ & IM Naylon PhD may be approved for a limited period by the Scholarships Committee only if the student has exceptional circumstances. Exceptional circumstances relate to significant caring commitments or a medical condition which limits the student's capacity to undertake full-time study. Part-time scholarships are not available to applicants seeking to undertake paid employment.
- 5.3 Part-time award holders are expected to progress at half the rate of full-time award holders. Part-time award holders may revert to full-time study at any time with the approval of the Scholarships Committee.

6 STIPEND

In 2025, the stipend will be paid at the following rates:

	<i>Rates for 2025</i>
• Full-time	\$35,010 pa tax-free
• Part-time	\$17,505 pa taxable

7 TUITION FEES

Commencing Australian or New Zealand citizens and Australian permanent residents and eligible continuing students will receive a Research Training Program Fee Offset. This provides an exemption from tuition fees for the normal duration of a HDR, up to a maximum period of four years full-time equivalent study for a Research Doctorate. Refer to the [RTP Scholarship Administrative Rules](#) page for more details.

8 REGISTRATION & ESTABLISHMENT

- 8.1 Award holders will be asked to nominate a commencement date, which is not later than 31 March in the year in which the scholarship was awarded.
- 8.2 In exceptional circumstances, award holders may apply to the Scholarships Committee for permission to commence their award after 31 March but must commence no later than 30 June.
- 8.3 Following acceptance of an AJ & IM Naylor PhD Scholarship, an award holder must arrange an appointment with the Office of Graduate Research HDR Admissions Team to be enrolled into the HDR and thesis topic and must remain enrolled for the duration of the FURS. Refer to [Your HDR: Getting Started](#) for more details.

9 OTHER CONDITIONS

Except where otherwise indicated in these rules, the AJ & IM Naylor PhD Scholarship will be administered in accordance with the [Flinders University Research Scholarship Conditions of Award](#).

18 STUDENT COMPLAINTS

- 18.1 Complaints about breaches of these Conditions of Award may be made in accordance with the [Student Complaints Policy](#) and [Student Complaints Procedures](#).

Queries about the Conditions of Award should be directed in the first instance to Student Finance and Scholarships (Flinders University) Ph: (08) 8201 5511 or Email: rhdscholarships@flinders.edu.au