



ACISA Stress and Trauma Scholarship

(Established in 2008 and maintained by funds donated from the Australian Critical Incident Stress Association Inc (ACISA).)

1 Purpose

The purpose of the Scholarship is to encourage students to undertake applied research in the area of stress and trauma in the community or workplace.

2 Definitions

In these rules-

Dean means the Medical Dean, Faculty of Medicine.

Scholarship means the ACISA Stress and Trauma Scholarship.

3 Value of scholarship

The value of the Scholarship is \$2,000.

4 Award of scholarship

One or more Scholarships may be awarded each year on the recommendation of the Dean.

5 Eligibility for award

An applicant is eligible for the award of a Scholarship in a year, if the applicant -

- (a) is enrolled in the Master of Mental Health program; and
- (b) is enrolled in the course entitled Mental Health Research Thesis 1 in semester 1; and
- (c) intends to enrol in the course entitled Mental Health Research Thesis 2 in either the following semester or the year immediately following; and
- (d) is undertaking an Mental Health Project in the broad research area of stress and trauma in the community or workplace; and
- (e) submits an application for the Scholarship to the Dean by the closing date for applications.

6 Selection process

- (1) For the selection process for a year, the Dean must establish a selection committee, comprising–
 - (a) the Dean, or nominee, as chair of the committee; and
 - (b) the Program Coordinator of the Graduate Mental Health Programs or nominee; and
 - (c) one representative of the ACISA.
- (2) The applications are assessed by the selection committee, based on, for each applicant –
 - (a) the feasibility of the proposed project; and
 - (b) the contribution the learning is likely to make to the understanding of the impact of stress in the community or workplace; and
 - (c) other evidence that may be considered relevant by the selection committee.
- (3) Applications must be submitted in the form of a quantitative, qualitative or literature based research proposal of not more than 2 A4 pages.

7 Conditions for scholarship

- (1) The recipient of a Scholarship will be paid the Scholarship value in two instalments, at the following times –
 - (a) one instalment while enrolled in the course entitled Mental Health Research Thesis 1; and
 - (b) one instalment while enrolled in the course entitled Mental Health Research Thesis 2.
- (2) The courses listed in paragraph 7(1) (a) and (b) do not need to be undertaken in consecutive semesters.
- (3) Payment of the Scholarship is subject to the recipient satisfying the following requirements -
 - (a) continuing to be enrolled in the Master of Mental Health program; and
 - (b) continuing to undertake an Mental Health Project in the broad research area of stress and trauma in the community or workplace.
- (4) The recipient will be required to acknowledge the Scholarship in all publications and presentations of the research.