



PhD Scholarships

Awarded by Faculty of Economics and Business

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS AND CONDITIONS OF AWARD 2009

1. The Faculty of Economics and Business will provide various scholarships for outstanding candidates to engage in PhD research for commencement in March 2009.
2. Each Scholarship will be for three years duration. If a student has spent some time already in a PhD program, that time will be deducted from the three year duration. Holders of the Scholarship may apply for an extension for a maximum of six months. A strong case must be made for such an extension. In no way should it be regarded as an automatic extension.
3. Scholarship holders must demonstrate satisfactory progress in their research. The Faculty reserves the right to terminate the Scholarship in the event of unsatisfactory progress or inappropriate conduct.
4. The scholarship holder must be enrolled full time in the Faculty of Economics and Business. Students may engage in a limited amount of paid employment, with the approval of the supervisor. It is expected that the Scholarship holder will devote at least 40 hours per week to the PhD research.
5. The applicant will have, or expect to obtain a good honours (i.e. first or upper second class honours) or masters level degree which included an independent research component.
6. The applicant must apply for entry into the PhD program in the Faculty by the scholarship closing date of 5th December 2008. Application for entry to the PhD program is separate to the scholarship application process.
7. Applicants who have applied for EIPRS, USIPRS, APA/UPA or CSC (Chinese Scholarship Council) scholarships will be automatically considered for the Faculty of Economics and Business Scholarship and only new applicants will need to complete admission and scholarship forms.
8. Applicants must not be current holders of any other Scholarship. However, the Faculty may consider awarding 'top-up' scholarships (e.g. top-up to APA/UPA) on a very limited basis.
9. Applications will be assessed by a committee.
10. For further information on Faculty of Economics and Business Postgraduate Research, please go to <http://www.econ.usyd.edu.au/pgresearch>
11. Applicants are strongly advised to make prior contact with the Postgraduate Research Coordinator in the relevant Discipline in order to determine whether the intended research is applicable to the Discipline and whether supervisory resources are available.
12. Applicants are reminded that each application needs to contain a statement of intended research. This is limited to 1500 words and should include: the nature of the research problem, the relevant literature, evidence of a consideration of appropriate research methodologies, expected outcomes and contribution to knowledge etc. This document is very important in the evaluation of each application and must be included with your application.

13. The original plus 5 copies, **complete** with supporting documentation, (a total of 6 sets) must be submitted to the Faculty Research Unit. Please ensure that applications are typed, or written legibly with a black or blue pen. Late, faxed or emailed applications can NOT be accepted
14. Applications should be sent to Mandy Nelson, Research Student Administration Coordinator, Room 412, Institute Building (H03), Faculty of Economics and Business, University of Sydney NSW 2006. Applications may also be lodged in person between 9.00am and 5.00pm, Monday to Friday.
15. Applications close at **5.00pm on 5th December 2008**

Application Form

- Questions 1 – 4:** Applicants must provide their contact details.
- Question 5:** Applicants who answer ‘no’ are ineligible to apply and should not lodge an application. Eligible applicants must provide certified copies of all relevant documentation. All applicants must complete details for their proposed 2009 enrolment. Research proposals should be about 1,500 words for the PhD. If you are already engaged in PhD studies, evidence of outstanding progress is also essential.
- Question 6:** Applicants who have previously or are currently enrolled at the University of Sydney must provide their student identification number.
- Question 7:** Applicants must provide details of tertiary qualifications and enclose certified copies of official academic transcripts.
- The transcripts must provide an official explanation of grading (usually found on the reverse side). It is important to provide the actual marks rather than grades where these are available. For transcripts in languages other than English, certified translations must be included. Please note that original documents included with your application will not be returned.
- Question 8:** Attach a list of publications, a copy of the front page of each publication and table of contents of journals.
- Question 9:** Provide a brief summary of any previous or current employment relevant to your research area.
- Question 10:** Please provide details of any other awards that you have applied for, or currently receive.
- Question 11:** The referees nominated should be academics who are able to provide an assessment of the applicant’s experience and potential. Applicants are responsible for ensuring that the nominated referees forward the confidential reports. Reports should clearly state the name of the student, why the student would be suitable for the scholarship and contact information for the referee.