G.C. Henderson Research Scholarship

Application Procedures and Conditions of Award

The G.C. Henderson Research Scholarship is open to full-time postgraduate research candidates intending to undertake research into the history of Polynesian, Melanesian and Micronesian communities in the Departments of Anthropology, Archaeology or History.

Application Procedures

- **Applicants who have applied for the 2016 Round one Australian Postgraduate Awards (APA) and University of Sydney Postgraduate Awards (UPA) by 23 October 2015:**

  You will need to:

  1. Submit a letter stating that you have submitted an application for the 2016 Round one APA/UPA and wish to be considered for the Henderson Research Scholarship, together with an outline (maximum 2 pages) of your proposed research project in the history of Polynesian, Melanesian and Micronesian communities after discussing the details with your Supervisor or proposed Supervisor.

  2. Provide the names and contact details of two academic referees who are familiar with your recent studies and able to comment on your research ability/potential and the relevance of your proposed research project to the purpose of the Henderson Research Scholarship. You must also forward the *Academic Referee’s Report* form (on the last page of this document) to your referees and request them to send their report directly to the Scholarships and Financial Support Service by **29 January 2016**.

- **Applicants who have NOT applied (or are ineligible to apply) for the 2016 Round one Australian Postgraduate Awards (APA) and University of Sydney Postgraduate Awards (UPA):**

  You will need to submit an application which should comprise of:

  1. An outline (maximum 2 pages) of your proposed research project in the history of Polynesian, Melanesian and Micronesian communities after discussing the details with your Supervisor or proposed Supervisor.

  2. A copy of your passport or citizenship certificate and if applicable, relevant documentation concerning your permanent resident status in Australia (**not** required if you are/were a University of Sydney student).

  3. A copy of your academic transcripts of your undergraduate and any postgraduate studies (University of Sydney transcripts need **not** be included) with actual marks where these are available.

  4. If applicable, details and evidence of any scholarly publications and/or relevant professional experience in accordance with the criteria and instructions per Section 5.3 ‘Research Potential Indicator (RPI)’ of the APA/UPA Information Document (available from: [http://sydney.edu.au/scholarships/research/postgraduate_awards.shtml](http://sydney.edu.au/scholarships/research/postgraduate_awards.shtml)).
5. The names and contact details of two academic referees who are familiar with your recent studies and able to comment on your research ability/potential and the relevance of your proposed research project to the purpose of the Henderson Research Scholarship. You must also forward the Academic Referee’s Report form (on the last page of this document) to your referees and request them to send their report directly to the Scholarships and Financial Support Service by 29 January 2016.

You must have applied separately for admission as a postgraduate research candidate by the closing date determined by the appropriate Faculty and before submitting your Henderson Scholarship application. Please note that the Faculty has to determine whether your candidature will be accepted before supporting your scholarship application.

Information on how to apply for admission into a research degree is available from: http://sydney.edu.au/future-students/domestic/postgraduate/research/apply/.

The original letter OR application, together with supporting documentation/attachments, must be submitted to:

G.C. Henderson Research Scholarship applications
Scholarships and Financial Support Service
Level 5, Jane Foss Russell Building, G02
The University of Sydney
NSW 2006

by 29 January 2016. Late, faxed or e-mailed applications will not be accepted.

Please ensure that your Academic Referee’s Reports reach the Scholarships and Financial Support Service by the same date. The Scholarships and Financial Support Service will not contact Academic Referees on behalf of applicants.

The University of Sydney accepts scanned documents submitted online in support of applications for admission to courses of study and photocopy of documents for the Henderson Scholarship applications. All supporting documents must be true and complete records. You should be prepared to provide original documents or original certified copies of supporting documents upon request at any time. Detailed checking of supporting documents is an inherent element of our admissions and scholarship ranking processes and may involve contacting the original issuing authority or relevant tertiary admissions centre, or other organisation (whether education or otherwise), or individual, whether in Australia or overseas, to verify documents. A failure to provide documents on request, or the discovery of either fraudulent documents or a misrepresentation of true circumstances in association with your application, may lead to the rejection of your application for admission/scholarship, the withdrawal of your offer, or the cancellation of your enrolment.

Documents submitted in a language other than English must be accompanied by a complete English translation. The University accepts translations to English made by an accredited translator with a government body, the Registrar of the issuing institution or, for international applicants, registered University of Sydney education Agents who have been designated as translators.

Applications for the G.C. Henderson Research Scholarship will be considered after the APA/UPA have been decided by the University. All applicants will be advised in late February 2016.

Privacy Statement
In accordance with the University of Sydney Privacy Policy (http://sydney.edu.au/privacy.shtml), the information you provide for this application is collected and held by the University in order to assess candidates for the G.C. Henderson Research Scholarship; and for administrative and statistical purposes including publicising the names, areas of research and other relevant details of successful applicants. Enquiries regarding access to and correction of the personal information should be directed in the first instance to the Scholarships and Financial Support Service.
G.C. Henderson Research Scholarship

Conditions of Award

The scholarship was established in 1973 after a bequest from Professor G.C. Henderson who died in 1944. Professor Henderson was the Professor of Modern History in the University of Adelaide from 1902 to 1924 and was given the title Professor Emeritus in 1923. He was a graduate of the University of Sydney and held one of the University’s travelling scholarships. In 1935 he was appointed Acting Lecturer in History in the University and from 1937 until the time of his death he was Research Professor in History. He had a particular interest in the history of the South Sea Islands.

The scholarship is awarded under the following general conditions:

1. The award shall be made subject to availability of funds and only one award shall be made at any one time.
2. The scholarships shall be awarded on the basis of academic merit and appropriateness of the proposed program of research to the department concerned.
3. The scholarships shall be tenable for up to two years for a Masters degree and up to three years for a PhD degree, subject to satisfactory progress. In exceptional circumstances, a further extension of six months may be granted to PhD candidates. Periods of study already undertaken towards the degree prior to the commencement of the award will be deducted from the maximum period of tenure.
4. The scholarships shall have the same stipend as the Australian Postgraduate Award (APA).*

The following specific conditions of award shall apply:

1. The object of the scholarship is to promote and encourage research into the history of the Polynesian, Melanesian and Micronesian communities.
2. The scholarship will be open to full time postgraduate research candidates eligible to enrol in the Departments of Anthropology, Archaeology (Prehistoric and Historical) or History.
3. The scholarship will be awarded by the Academic Board on the advice of a committee comprising the Head of the School of Philosophical and Historical Inquiry (Chair) and the Chairs of the Departments of Anthropology, Archaeology, History or their nominees.

* $26,288 per annum in 2016 (indexed 1 January). The G.C. Henderson Research Scholarship does not cover any tuition fees payable by international students.
The University of Sydney

G.C. Henderson Research Scholarship

ACADEMIC REFEREE’S REPORT
Confidential – to be mailed or emailed directly to the Scholarships and Financial Support Service

For the Applicant
Please complete Section A and send the form to the person whom you wish to act as your academic referee. This person should be a senior academic who is able to provide an assessment of your most recent studies and research potential.

For the Referee
Please provide a confidential assessment of the applicant and send the completed form directly to the Scholarships and Financial Support Service, Level 5, Jane Foss Russell Building, G02, The University of Sydney, NSW 2006, Australia, scholarships.officer@sydney.edu.au by 29 January 2016.

SECTION A  (to be completed by applicant)
Surname: Other Names:

Telephone: E-mail:

List below details of course(s) for which you are seeking an award:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Proposed Course(s)</th>
<th>Department and Faculty</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

SECTION B  (to be completed by referee)
Name of referee: Position or title:

Name of Institution and Country (if not Australia):

Telephone: E-mail:

Applicant’s actual or predicted final examination results (if known). Please indicate whether actual or predicted (e.g. Hons 1 actual):

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>If the applicant is currently enrolled in an Honours degree, what level of honours is she/he likely to obtain?</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Based on the quality of completed work, the applicant is seen as having a record which is (please tick/specify):

- top 5%
- top 10%
- top 15%
- top 20%
- other (please specify): ___________

Based on the applicant’s overall academic performance and potential for the proposed course, the degree of support I give the applicant is (please tick):

- Unreserved
- Strong
- Fairly Strong
- Moderate
- Nil

Please comment on the relevance of the applicant’s proposed research project to the purpose of the G.C. Henderson Research Scholarship in the history of Polynesian, Melanesian and Micronesian communities (attach an additional page if required).

Signature of Referee: .......................................................... Date: ..................................

The Scholarships and Financial Support Service would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your report.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office on (02) 8627 8112.