Dr. Helen Marchant-Pritchard Memorial Scholarship

Terms and Conditions
August 2018

1. Background

a. The Scholarship was established in 1988 following donations received from the family, friends and colleagues of Helen Marchant, a distinguished teacher and researcher in the Department of Social Work.

b. This Scholarship is to assist a Masters by Research or PhD scholar to undertake research in the areas of social welfare and social work.

c. The purpose of the Scholarship is to assist with the:

   i. costs of materials, equipment, or services to support the intended research, or
   ii. travel costs to attend interstate or international conferences or to undertake research or data collection interstate or overseas.

2. Eligibility

a. Applicants must be currently enrolled for full-time studies in a Masters by Research or PhD within the Sydney School of Education and Social Work at the University of Sydney,

b. Applicants must be willing to undertake research in the field of social work and/or social policy in at least one of the following areas:

   i. social work and social change,
   ii. gender and social welfare,
   iii. women, work and technology,
   iv. immigration, or
   v. social welfare and social work.

c. Applicants must also hold an Honours degree (First Class or Second Class upper) or a Master's degree in a related field with a substantial research component, or equivalent.

d. Applicants must have a professional background in social work and/or social policy.

3. Selection Criteria

a. The successful applicant will be awarded the Scholarship on the basis of:

   i. academic merit,
   ii. area of study and research proposal,
   iii. curriculum vitae including relevant work experience and list of publications,
   iv. feedback from two academic referees,
   v. proposed budget including any current or other possible sources of funds,
   vi. proposed itinerary, and
   vii. a personal statement which demonstrates their interest in social work and/or social policy.
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b. The successful applicant will be awarded the Scholarship on the nomination of a selection committee comprising five members, of whom three are female members. The members of the selection committee are:

   I. Forbes Craig Pritchard (or his nominee),
   II. the Head of School of Sydney School of Education and Social Work, and
   III. three members elected by the Sydney School of Education and of Social Work.

4. Value

   a. The value of each Scholarship will be determined by the selection committee and will have a maximum value of $6,000 per annum.

   b. The Scholarship will be tenable for one year only.

   c. The Scholarship value will be paid as a lump sum payment.

   d. The Scholarship is for commencement in the relevant research period in which it is offered for and cannot be deferred or transferred to another area of research.

   e. No other amount is payable.

   f. The Scholarship will be offered subject to the availability of funding.

5. Eligibility for Progression

   a. Progression is subject to passing the annual progress review.

   b. Successful recipients are required to maintain receipts for up to one year for all costs incurred that are relevant to this Scholarship.

   c. Successful recipients may be required to produce these receipts if requested by the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences.

6. Leave Arrangements

   a. Not relevant.

7. Research Overseas

   a. Not relevant.

8. Suspension

   a. Not relevant.

9. Changes in Enrolment
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a. The Scholarship recipient must notify HDRAC and their supervisor promptly of any planned changes to their enrolment including but not limited to: attendance pattern, suspension, leave of absence, withdrawal, course transfer, and candidature upgrade or downgrade. If the award holder does not provide notice of the changes identified above, the University may require repayment of any overpaid stipend.

10. Termination

a. Unless terminated earlier under this paragraph, the Scholarship will terminate:

   I. on resignation or withdrawal of the student from their Masters by Research or PhD,
   II. upon the student having completed 4 years equivalent full time study for a PhD, or 2 years equivalent full time study for a Masters by Research,
   III. upon submission of the thesis or at the end of the award,
   IV. if the student ceases to be a full-time student and prior approval has not been obtained to hold the Scholarship on a part-time basis,
   V. does not resume study at the end of a period of approved leave, or
   VI. If the student ceases to meet the eligibility requirements specified for this Scholarship, (other than during a period in which the Scholarship has been suspended or during a period of approved leave).

b. The Scholarship may also be terminated by the University before this time if, in the opinion of the University:

   I. the course of study is not being carried out with competence and diligence or in accordance with the terms of this offer,
   II. the student fails to maintain satisfactory progress, or
   III. the student has committed misconduct or other inappropriate conduct.

c. Payments will be suspended throughout the duration of any enquiry/appeal process.

d. Once the Scholarship has been terminated, it will not be reinstated unless due to University error.

11. Misconduct

a. Where during the Scholarship a student engages in misconduct, or other inappropriate conduct (either during the Scholarship or in connection with the student’s application and eligibility for the Scholarship), which in the opinion of the University warrants recovery of funds paid to the student, the University may require the student to repay stipend amounts and any other payments made to the student in connection with the Scholarship. Examples of such conduct include and without limitation; academic dishonesty, research misconduct within the meaning of the Research Code of Conduct (for example, plagiarism in proposing, carrying out or reporting the results of research, or failure to declare or manage a serious conflict of interests), breach of the Code of Conduct for Students and misrepresentation in the application materials or other documentation associated with the Scholarship.

b. The University may require such repayment at any time during or after the Scholarship period. In addition, by accepting this Scholarship, the student consents to all aspects of any investigation into misconduct in connection with this Scholarship being disclosed by the University to the funding body and/or any relevant professional body.
12. Report

a. Scholarship recipients are required to provide a report on how the Scholarship assisted with their studies on completion of the research or the part of the research supported by the Scholarship.

b. Any published work arising from the Scholarship should be duly acknowledged.