

THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL UNIVERSITY
ANU COLLEGE OF HEALTH & MEDICINE
GRACE GROOM MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP
CONDITIONS OF AWARD

1. INTRODUCTION

The Grace Groom Memorial Scholarship has been established from a donation by the Mental Health Australia Ltd in memory of Grace Groom.

The purpose of the Scholarship is to provide financial support to international or domestic postgraduate students enrolled in study and research relating to mental health issues. Applicants may be enrolled in any research program within the ANU College of Health & Medicine (CH&M). Their research program should have meaningful and real application to the daily lives of people with a mental illness and/or the people who care for them.

2. VALUE

The value of the Scholarship stated in the letter of offer.

The funds may be used for, but are not limited to, equipment purchase, research study fees, research study related travel expenses, fieldwork expenses such as for survey recruitment, textbooks, conference travel and associated accommodation and registration costs, or journal publication costs. The Scholarship is not to be expended on stipend or salary and the expenditure must be related to applicant's program of research.

3. ELIGIBILITY

In order to be considered for the Scholarship, an applicant must:

- (a) be enrolled in a graduate research program offered within the ANU College of Health & Medicine; and
- (b) be already undertaking study in a mental health related field.

Applicants with a lived experience of mental illness (including as a carer) are encouraged to apply.

4. APPLICATION

The Scholarship application must include:

- a) A statement briefly describing the applicant's research, how it will improve the lives of consumers and/or carers, how the scholarship would be used and how this relates to the applicant's project.
- b) A budget and budget justification endorsed by the applicant's supervisor.
- c) The applicant's curriculum vitae.
- d) A brief statement of support from the applicant's supervisor.

The deadline for Scholarship applications to be submitted to the Selection Committee will be August-September each year.

5. SELECTION

A Selection Committee will be appointed and will comprise of an academic/s from the Australian National University, including one from the ANU Centre for Mental Health Research (CMHR), one representative from the Mental Health Australia, one consumer representative (selected and paid for the Mental Health Council of Australia Society) and a carer representative (selected and paid for by the Mental Health Council of Australia Society).

The Selection Committee will make a recommendation on the award of the Scholarship to the Dean of CH&M each year.

The Scholarship shall not be awarded if, in the opinion of the Selection Committee, there is no applicant and/or project of sufficient merit. CH&M reserves the right to make no award in a given year, to vary the number of awards or to make an award/s at other times in exceptional circumstances as determined by the Dean of CH&M. The University reserves the right to revise the Scholarship from time to time.

6. CONCURRENT HOLDING OF OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS/AWARDS

A scholar may hold any other scholarship or award concurrently with the Grace Groom Memorial Scholarship, provided the holding of the Grace Groom Memorial Scholarship does not breach the other scholarship or award conditions.

7. DURATION

The Scholarship will be paid as a single payment into an ANU designated account and will be expended and accounted for under the financial management system of the College and University. The funds will be expended within 1 year(s) of award, and within the program enrolment of the recipient.

8. PUBLICITY

It is anticipated that scholarship recipients may be requested to participate in publicity of the Scholarship from time to time.

On occasions, scholarship recipients may be contacted by the University to participate in activities including, but not limited to, an interview, a photograph, and a formal Scholarship presentation ceremony. The University may also request written responses from the scholarship recipients which can include, but is not limited to, a summary of basic profile information, and descriptions of University experiences.

The University may publicise the Scholarship by publishing the names of the scholarship recipients.

9. SCHOLAR REQUIREMENTS

Where appropriate, the Scholarship should be acknowledged by name in the student's work (e.g. on a power-point slide at a conference funded by the Scholarship).

The Scholar will provide a report, to be incorporated in the Alumni Relations and Philanthropy office report to the Donor, no later than the 30th October, following the Scholarship period. The report will outline the progress of their project and the impact of the Scholarship on achieving the progress.

10. TAXATION

Scholars are responsible for seeking taxation advice regarding their own individual circumstances. Please note that scholarships may be regarded as taxable income if a scholar is enrolled on a part-time basis.



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11. CONTACT

Enquiries regarding this scholarship should be made in writing to the Deputy Head, Centre for Mental Health Research (CMHR).

Telephone (02) 6125 1031; Email: philip.batterham@anu.edu.au or fiona.hurley@anu.edu.au

12. UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS

Scholarship recipients are subject to *The Australian National University Act 1991* as amended, and to the Statutes, Rules, Regulations and Resolutions of the University.

13. DISCLAIMER

The Scholarship does not carry any commitment by the University for future employment.