



Application Guide for

**PATHWEST
PhD SCHOLARSHIP**

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PathWest offers Ph.D. scholarships for full-time postgraduate research studies at a Western Australian university for work carried out at PathWest. The research work for which an award is sought should be translational research related to areas of pathology conducted at PathWest.

The Ph.D. Scholarship is awarded for three years and applicants should hold, or expect to obtain, at least a 2A or first class honours degree or its equivalent. The annual stipend is currently \$25,000 with a maintenance allowance of \$4,000 per annum. A thesis allowance of up to \$600 is payable in the final year of the scholarship. It is expected the scholarship will be awarded for commencement in the first semester 2010.

HOW TO APPLY

One original and four copies of the application must be submitted to: The Chair, PathWest PhD Scholarship Committee, PathWest, Locked Bag 2009, Nedlands, 6909.

The application must:

- Follow the information given on the reverse side of this sheet;
- Be typewritten and single spaced;
- Not exceed 20 pages;
- Have the pages clearly numbered on each sheet
- Have **two** referees' reports attached.

APPLICATION FOR A POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP

The typewritten application should be set out as shown below. As a guide for the assessing committee, the applicant should retype and underline the main headings and sub-headings (including question numbers), taking care to follow the sequence of this guide.

1. Applicant Details

- a) Title, surname and given name(s).
- b) Citizenship status. A copy of documentation indicating Australian citizenship or Permanent Resident status should be submitted by applicants whose country of birth is other than Australia.
- c) Current appointment, department, institution and date of commencement.
- d) A summary of degrees and professional qualifications, giving dates (month and year conferred), level attained and institution.
- e) Workplace address, telephone number, fax number and e-mail address.
- f) Address for correspondence (*if different from (e) above*).
- g) Date of birth.

2. Department and Supervision

- a) Name and location of department and where scholarship will be undertaken.
- b) Name, current appointment, workplace address, telephone number, fax number and e-mail address of proposed supervisor during scholarship.
- c) Name and appointment of current supervisor.
- d) Name and address of the institution that will administer the award (*if different to (a) above*).
- e) Commencement and termination dates of Scholarship.

3. Research Program

- a) Title of project.
- b) Specific aims and hypothesis of project.
- c) Background and research plan for the project (generally 2-3 pages, but no more than 6 pages). Indicate the successive steps planned in the development of your investigation.
- d) Time line for project
- e) How will the project be funded if the cost will be greater than the maintenance allowance?

4. Applications to Other Funding Bodies

- a) Is this application also under review by any other funding body? YES / NO
- b) If YES, give name and address of other funding body.

5. Attachments

- a) Certified copies of full academic record/transcript (including prizes and awards) from the relevant institutions. Attach a copy of the institution's key to academic records.
- b) Professional experience.
- c) List of publications.
- d) **Two** referees' reports, one of which should be from your current supervisor, must be submitted with the application.

6. Ethical Considerations

Research shall be conducted in accordance with the NHMRC Statement on Human Experimentation, the NHMRC Statement on Research Practice, the Australian Code of Practice for the Care and Use of Animals for Experimental Purposes or the NHMRC Policy on the Use of Non-Human Primates in Medical Research where appropriate. Clearance certificates for research shall be obtained from the appropriate institutional Ethics Committee and/or Bio-safety Committee prior to the commencement of the research. **No payments will be made until the appropriate clearance certificates are provided.**

Does this project involve experiments on human subjects? YES / NO
If YES, is Human Ethics Review Committee approval attached to this application? YES / NO

Does this project involve experiments on animals? YES / NO
If YES, is Animal Ethics Review Committee approval attached to this application? YES / NO

Does this project involve genetic manipulation or the use of radioactive/carcinogenic/toxic chemicals? YES / NO
If YES, is Bio-safety Review Committee approval attached to this application? YES / NO

7. Signatures – the application must be signed and dated by the:

- a) Applicant,
- b) Supervisor and
- c) Head of Department in which it is proposed that the project will be carried out.

8. Other Requirements

a) Annual Reports

Within one month of the anniversary of the commencement of the scholarship, for the life of the scholarship, the student must submit an annual progress report. This will be a brief informative report describing the work performed, publications arising from this work, presentations made and problems encountered. The supervisor is also required to submit a progress report.

b) Annual Presentation

The student is required to make an annual presentation on their research project to an appropriate forum within PathWest