

David Ashton Travel Award 2025

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About the Scholarship

The David Ashton Travel Award was established by a gift from David Hungerford Ashton to the University of Melbourne Botany Foundation and is offered to students who are enrolled in the Bachelor of Science (Degree with Honours), a graduate coursework or research degree with the Faculty of Science and undertaking travel for the purpose of research in field of Plant Ecology.

Eligibility

Students must submit an application and provide a personal statement outlining:

- The details of their proposed travel, including purpose of travel, itinerary, and cost estimates,
- The relevance of the proposed travel to their research in Plant Ecology

To be eligible for this award, students must be enrolled in a bachelor degree with honours in a graduate coursework or graduate research degree with the Faculty of Science and undertaking research in the field of Plant Ecology.

Conditions:

Students must undertake travel in the year the award is made.

In addition, students must agree to the University sharing their name and course details with the donor of their scholarship and provide a note of appreciation and a brief report on the benefits of the scholarship if requested.

Selection criteria

The award is offered to eligible students who are ranked highest by the selection panel based on their written statement.

When determining the successful candidate for this award, other awards for the same purpose received by candidates are considered.

Outcome

All scholarship outcomes will be sent via SmartyGrants.

Please see outcome timing below:

- **Round 1** (Jan-March applications): May-July

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- **Round 2** (June-August applications): September-October

Please ensure that you check your email inbox as well as your SPAM/Junk mail as emails may sometimes be directed to these folders.

Applicant Details

Applicant *

Title	First Name	Last Name
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Student ID *

Must be a number.

Student Email *

Must be an email address.

Personal Email *

Must be an email address.

Course information

Type of Degree *

- Honours
- Master
- PhD

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Research Summary

The personal statement has been broken down into relevant sections for you to complete

Are you undertaking research in the field of Plant Ecology? *

- Yes
- No

Research Project Title *

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Principal Supervisor Name *

Brief summary of your current research project *

Provide a short description (100-150 words recommended) of your project - what are you out to do?

Please list any papers you have published

Have you applied for and been granted approval to Study Away? *

- Yes
 No

*Graduate Researchers are required to apply for Study Away if travelling for research-related activities away from the University. <https://gradresearch.unimelb.edu.au/being-a-candidate/study-away/apply>

Travel Details

The relevance of the proposed travel to their research in Plant Ecology *

Word count:

Must be no more than 400 words.

This may include, for example, using funds to reduce your hours of part-time employment, alleviating financial need or disadvantage, travel to a conference etc

Please nominate a suitable date for when this travel might occur *

Must be a date.

Note: Travel must be taken in the year the award is made.

Please provide details of proposed travel including budget *

Please provide information on relevance of the proposed travel on your research in Plant Ecology *

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Submission Declaration

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I declare that the information and content provided in this submission are true, accurate, and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false information, misrepresentation, or failure to disclose relevant details may result in review and possible corrective actions. By submitting, I confirm my agreement to adhere to all policies, guidelines, and terms associated with this submission. *

- Yes
- No

Finding this Scholarship

How did you hear about this scholarship? *

- Online search (e.g., Google)
- Social media (e.g., Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn)
- Faculty Newsletters
- Faculty of Science Scholarship page (science.unimelb.edu.au/students/scholarships)
- Email Campaigns
- CANVAS/LMS
- University of Melbourne Scholarship page (scholarships.unimelb.edu.au)
- Please select all that applies.
- Referral from an academic/supervisor
- Referral from colleague or friend
- University digital screens
- Event, workshop, or webinar
- Contact with Stop1
- Other:

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Submit

Now that you have finished your application, please make sure you press the SUBMIT button below.

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If you have any questions regarding your application, please contact: science-awards@unimelb.edu.au