

Frank Keenan Scholarship 2025

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Frank Keenan Scholarships

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About the Scholarship

By his Will dated 8 April 2000 ('Will') the late Francis Keenan, MBE, HonBAppSci(Hort) (Melb.), horticulturalist and parks administrator ('donor') bequeathed one-fifth of his net residuary estate.

The donor studied at the Burnley Horticultural College in 1929 and 1930 and was employed by the Melbourne City Council from 1931, retiring in 1978 as director of the parks, gardens, and recreation department of that council. In 1978 the donor was made a member of the Order of the British Empire for his services to the community. The donor died on 17 April 2007.

The Frank Keenan Scholarships is awarded to graduate or under-graduate students studying at **Burnley Campus**, based on academic merit undertaking study relating to the advancement of services and practices of amenity and/or ornamental horticulture. The scholarship will apply for one year and students may re-apply in following years.

The recipient of the Frank Keenan Scholarships will be selected on the basis of academic merit. Preference will be given to research in the following themes:

- Garden history,
- Garden design and function,
- Garden ecology,
- Plant development and propagation,
- Plant form and function,
- Plants and green infrastructure
- Plants and human interactions,
- Arboriculture,
- Landscape horticulture,
- Ecosystem services in horticultural landscapes

For research applicants, The Frank Keenan Scholarships provide support for **students' research projects** and reward excellence in the horticultural programs delivered at **Burnley**. This may include conference presentation, travel support, field work support, purchase of specialist equipment, and any other programs that would enrich the student's experience.

The application should outline how research is addressing an important problem in these fields.

Eligibility

To be eligible for this scholarship you must:

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- Enrolled in any undergraduate, graduate coursework, or graduate research course at the **Burnley Campus**.
- Undertaking study relating to the advancement of services and practices of

Selection Criteria

- Eligible candidates will be ranked based on:
 - Academic Merit
 - Where relevant, the strength of the research project and its alignment to the fields of amenity or ornamental horticultural*
 - Preference will be given to research in the following themes: garden history, garden design and function, garden ecology, plant development and propagation, plant form and function, plants and green infrastructure, plants and human interactions, arboriculture, landscape horticulture, and ecosystem services in horticultural landscapes.

Outcome

All scholarship outcomes will be sent via SmartyGrants.

Please see outcome timing below:

- **Round 1** (Jan-March applications): May-July
- **Round 2** (June-August applications): September-October
- **Future Rounds** - TBC

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
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Student ID *

Must be a number.

Student Email *

Must be an email address.

Personal Email *

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Must be an email address.

Course information

School *

Type of Degree *

Course *

Are you currently enrolled in any undergraduate, graduate coursework, or graduate research course at the Burnley Campus? *

- Yes
 No

Applicants need to be studying at the Burnley Campus to be eligible for this scholarship.

Research Scholarship Application

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Research Details

Is your research related to following themes: garden history, garden design and function, garden ecology, plant development and propagation, plant form and function, plants and green infrastructure, plants and human interactions, arboriculture, landscape horticulture, and ecosystem services in horticultural landscapes? *

- Yes
 No

Research Project Title *

Project rationale and description, including dates *

Word count:

Must be no more than 500 words.

How does this project relate to the advancement of services and practices of amenity and/or ornamental horticulture? *

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Word count:

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Submission Declaration

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Declaration

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? *

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Online search (e.g., Google) | <input type="checkbox"/> Referral from an academic/supervisor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social media (e.g., Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn) | <input type="checkbox"/> Referral from colleague or friend |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Faculty Newsletters | <input type="checkbox"/> University digital screens |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Faculty of Science Scholarship page (science.unimelb.edu.au/students/scholarships) | <input type="checkbox"/> Event, workshop, or webinar |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Email Campaigns | <input type="checkbox"/> Contact with Stop1 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CANVAS/LMS | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input type="text"/> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> University of Melbourne Scholarship page (scholarships.unimelb.edu.au) | |

Please select all that applies.

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

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