

Dame Margaret Blackwood Soroptimist Scholarship 2020

Application Form

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Dame Margaret Blackwood Soroptimist Scholarship 2021

Application Details

Scholarship Details:

VALUE: **Approx \$9,500 (NB: more than one award may be made from this amount)**

CLOSING DATE: **5:00 pm, Sunday 7 March 2021**

Enquiries: science-awards@unimelb.edu.au

Scholarship Background: In 1988, the University of Melbourne and Soroptimist International of the South West Pacific ('SISWP') conducted an appeal to establish the Dame Margaret Blackwood Soroptimist Scholarship at the University. The scholarship commemorates Dame Margaret's contribution to the international soroptimist community and celebrates her academic achievements. Dame Margaret died in 1986. She was one of the earliest members of the Soroptimist Club of Melbourne, founded in 1948, and was president from 1957 to 1959. She was well known and widely respected throughout the international soroptimist world.

The scholarship is open annually to female graduate research candidates only.

Selection Criteria and Process:

The Dame Margaret Blackwood Soroptimist Scholarship provides a personal scholarship for a female graduate research student undertaking research in the discipline of genetics – either plant, animal or viral – in the Faculty of Science at the University of Melbourne. The scholarship is awarded annually, but is not intended to provide funding that would normally be covered by a supervisor.

While expenditure of the funds is at the discretion of the recipient and is not restricted to research-related expenses, the selection committee's assessment of candidates will include their program of research in the discipline of genetics, their overall academic record, and the potential impact of the scholarship. **The selection committee is particularly interested in applications from female graduate research students who are engaged in the world beyond academia.**

Candidates should be confirmed at the time applications close, and preference will be given to mid-candidature applicants. Students who have graduated from the University of Melbourne and other tertiary education institutions are eligible to apply providing they are enrolled in a graduate research degree in the Faculty of Science in the discipline of genetics at the date applications close in 2021.

Candidates must complete the application form by 5:00 pm, Sunday 7 March 2021

You must attach the following documents with your application:

- Curriculum Vitae
- Academic Transcript - *copy only*. (NB: If the transcript is from a University other than Melbourne, please attach details of the marking/grading system of that institution)
- Letter of support from your supervisor. NB: the letter of endorsement is a key part of the application and should support the candidate's case for scholarship support. Letters that are very brief and / or do not include an actual endorsement will impact negatively on the application.

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Applicant Details

Name *

Title First Name Last Name

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Pronouns

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☐ They/them
☐ Other:

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Must be an email address.

Student ID *

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Institute where you completed your undergraduate study *

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Please upload a copy of your academic transcript here: *

Attach a file:

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Please select which best applies to your studies: *

- ☐ PhD
☐ MPhil

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Commencement Date *

Must be a date.

Confirmation Date *

Must be a date.

Expected Completion Date *

Must be a date.

Are you the recipient of any other scholarships in 2021? (e.g. RTP/MRS etc) *

- ☐ Yes
☐ No

If yes, please provide more details including name and value of the scholarship(s) ***Research Program****Research Title: *****Please provide a plain English summary of your research noting the aims, significance and anticipated outcomes. (Approx 200 words) ***

Word count:

Must be no more than 200 words.

Scientific Description of Research

Please provide:

- a) a scientific description of the research you propose to undertake in 2021;*
- b) a description of how your research aligns with the discipline of genetics;*
- c) if you are part of a research team, please describe as a percentage your role in the research.*

Scientific description of the research: (no more than 500 words) *

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Research Impact Statement

Research Impact is defined as the demonstrable contribution that research makes to the economy, society, culture, public policy or services, health, the environment, or quality of life beyond academia. (Approx. 75 words)

Research Impact Statement *

Word count:
Must be no more than 80 words.

Period of study and / or research at the University of Melbourne

If you are currently enrolled in postgraduate research, please provide brief details of the period spent in study or research at the University of Melbourne

Statement on scholarship benefits

Describe how this scholarship may assist you in 2021. This may include, for example, using funds to reduce your hours of part-time employment, travel to a conference etc. The scholarships does not provide funding for research that would ordinarily be provided by your supervisor. (no more than 500 words)

Word count:
Must be no more than 500 words.

Extra-curricular activities

Please describe any extra-curricular activities you are involved in. Please note that Dame Margaret Blackwood was interested in helping students realise their personal and academic potential. The scholarship is awarded in this spirit and the selection committee will be particularly interested in your responses to this question. *(No more than 500 words).*

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Describe extracurricular activities

Guidelines for CV

- **Applicants should note that, where relevant, the following headings should be included in the accompanying CV. Where appropriate, all details should be provided in chronological order - commencing with the most recent entry.**

A) Full Name

B) Date of Birth

C) Full details on education including details of current postgraduate and past undergraduate training

D) Details of awards, prizes or scholarships received (Including \$ amounts for each)

E) Details of professional affiliations

F) Details of professional activities

G) Details of any teaching roles - e.g. demonstrating or tutoring

H) Details of presentation at scientific conferences and invited talks (Include abstract titles)

I) Details of any activities beyond academia, including dates, such as volunteering, mentoring, leadership activities

J) Published works organised in the following categories

(Applicants should indicate their contribution to the published work and the ranking of the publication within the discipline. Please do not list works submitted, under review or in preparation)

- *Original refereed publications*
- *Full published conference proceedings*
- *Reviews*
- *Chapters and monographs*
- *Other publication*

Please upload your CV here:

Attach a file:

Certification

I certify that the information in this application form is correct and that, if successful, I will hold the award in accordance with current conditions

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Please confirm the above statement:

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Please include a letter of endorsement from your supervisor. Please note that letters that are very brief and / or do not include an actual endorsement will impact negatively on the application.

Supervisor letter upload here: (email or signed document)

Attach a file:

- - Please make sure that you click the **SUBMIT** button below to confirm your *Scholarship Application Submission by **5:00 pm, Sunday 7 March 2021***

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