



The U3A Dunedin 150th Postgraduate Award

Established in 2019 by the University of Otago from a generous donation by the U3A Dunedin Charitable Trust, the U3A Dunedin 150th Postgraduate Award was created to support mature postgraduate research students at University of Otago with research or travel-related costs.

Eligibility

Applicants must be:

- a PhD student or Master's by thesis, preferably aged more than 35 years. Honours and Coursework Masters students are not eligible to apply; and
- enrolled at the University of Otago for the year of the Award.

Application Process

Every application for the scholarship must be submitted to University of Otago Student Administration by the specified closing date.

Every applicant must submit:

- a completed application form including an indicative budget itemising research/travel costs proposed to be supported.
- a copy of their academic transcript if the applicant has not been previously enrolled at the University of Otago and is not yet admitted into their Masters or PhD programme;
- a supporting academic reference from their supervisor.

Selection Process

The selection panel comprises the Director, Development and Alumni Relations Office or their nominee and the Manager, Postgraduate Scholarships, Prizes and Awards or their nominee.

The following factor shall be considered in selecting the scholarship recipient:

- the academic merit of the applicant.

Financial

- The value of the scholarship may vary from year-to-year dependent on available funds. It is anticipated the value of the scholarship will normally be up to \$3,000.
- Payment will be made as a lump sum on acceptance of award of the scholarship by the recipient.
- The selection panel reserves the right not award the scholarship where there are insufficient funds available in any given year and to determine the amount offered in any given year.

Tenure

- The Scholarship must be taken up within one year of being awarded.
- The Scholarship may be held concurrently with any other University of Otago Scholarship where there regulations also allow.

Other Requirements

- The recipient will provide a written report to U3A Dunedin on the use of the funds within the period of scholarship tenure and be available to give a presentation about their postgraduate research to U3A Dunedin members if required.
- The University of Otago reserves the right to use the names, photographs, and details of successful applicants for advertising and publicity. The award holders must agree to be reasonably available to participate in interviews and promotional activities if requested by the University of Otago.