

## THE HENRY KELSEY RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIPS

The funds for this scholarship are made available from a bequest from the late Henry Kelsey, Farmer, of Wanganui. The funds are managed by the Public Trust and the scholarship is administered by Universities New Zealand.

### *Purpose*

The purpose of the scholarship is to provide funds for individuals to undertake research towards a postgraduate degree at a New Zealand University or research institution, for the purpose of studying muscular function, including the causes and treatment of muscular dysfunction.

### *Eligibility*

Applicants will be New Zealand citizens or permanent residents.

Applicants will have completed the requirements for a Bachelors degree or equivalent, with honours where they are awarded, in a field appropriate to their intended study, at a New Zealand university.

### *Tenure*

The scholarship is available for up to two years for Masters study and up to three years for PhD study. It would normally be expected that scholars would study for one degree at a university. Payments will be made six-monthly and dependent on a positive and satisfactory report on progress from the institution at which candidates are studying. Unsatisfactory progress may lead to termination of the award.

It is intended that, normally one scholarship will be offered annually. Subject to availability of finance, there will be up to three scholarships at any one time.

### *Value*

The scholarships will be \$6,000.00 per annum and may be used in any way that helps the scholar to meet the purposes of the award.

The scholarship is tenable with other scholarships, but account will be taken of the aggregate circumstances of the scholar and of the desirability of using available funds to best advantage.

### *Applications*

Candidates shall enter for the scholarship on an application form available from the Scholarships Office at Universities New Zealand or at that candidate's university. Applications close on 1 October.

The application should be accompanied by:

- a) Birth certificate or other evidence of citizenship;
- b) Certified copy of the candidate's academic record;
- c) Outline of the research project, including its relevance to the scholarship's purpose and the candidate's future career;
- d) Evidence of other awards, achievements, and practical experience, relevant to the scholarship;
- e) Names of two persons who will be forwarding, to the University Scholarships Office by 1 October, a written assessment of the candidate including achievements, potential, and suitability for the award;
- f) Signed Universities New Zealand Privacy Form;
- g) Any other evidence that the candidate judges relevant to the application.

Research proposals and arrangements may often be still in development at time of application. Because of the significance of the research project to the selection for the scholarship, candidates may wish to alter or add to their research proposal. Updated information can be added to the application, at any time before the final selection is made.

### *Criteria*

In considering the award the selection Board shall take into account the:

- relevance of the proposed project to the causes and treatment of muscular dysfunction;
- project's possible outcomes for innovative technologies and treatment of muscular dysfunction;
- ability and previous experience of the candidate in the chosen field, particularly as it relates to successful completion of the project within the allocated timetable and proposed subsequent career;
- academic record and achievement to date.

All of these aspects will be used by the selection committee in order to select a successful candidate. The development of creativity, and the generation of new product or process ideas for practical application, are important elements in the concept of the scholarships and so should be given due weight by the candidate.

The selection committee's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into following the selection meeting.

### *Scholarship Board*

The Board will consist of three members:

- Convenor of the Universities New Zealand Scholarships Committee or nominee.
- Professor or equivalent, from a New Zealand university, in each of the fields of the scholarship.
- A senior professional from the medical field, appointed by the Universities New Zealand Scholarships Committee.

### *Administration*

The scholarships will be administered by Universities New Zealand, Wellington, which will be responsible for publicising the availability of the scholarships, receiving applications, assisting the Scholarship's Board in the selection process, advising candidates of the results, arranging for payments, and reporting annually on the outcomes.

### *Intellectual Property*

The ownership of intellectual property would normally reside with the institution providing facilities for and/or supervising the award holder. In the absence of an identifiable institution the award holder will negotiate a suitable arrangement over the ownership of intellectual property with the Convenor of the Scholarship Board in order for the benefits of all intellectual property to be retained in New Zealand.

### *Power to Vary*

Universities New Zealand may make such rules and regulations as it shall from time to time think fit governing the scholarships and may vary or revoke any rules and regulations and may deviate at the discretion of Universities New Zealand from strict adherence to any requirements relating to the scholarships according to the exigencies of the circumstances, provided always that such changes shall be consistent with the general purposes of the bequest.