

Barenbrug Plant Science Innovation Undergraduate Scholarship Regulations

Background

Barenbrug

Barenbrug is proud to have been part of New Zealand's pastoral landscape for over 30 years helping farmers grow the best pasture. Barenbrug is 100% committed to New Zealand's agricultural future, through providing Kiwi farmers products, information, and support to improve farm outcomes. Innovative plant breeding and research programmes have created some of this country's best pastures, all of which are backed by the experience and expertise of Barenbrug staff. Barenbrug NZ has, since the beginning, been linked into the Royal Barenbrug Group, a fourth-generation family business based in the Netherlands. This link provides Barenbrug with unique access to global science, knowledge and plant genetics.

Shared connections

Barenbrug and Lincoln University have many existing and prior connections, both formally and informally. Both organisations are proud to share, as a member of their community, Mr Selwyn Manning. Selwyn, alumnus of Lincoln University and Bledisloe medallist, is founder of Agriseeds – Barenbrug NZ's origin company. Many LU alumni and associate alumni are current staff of Barenbrug. There are prior and current research projects that have been conducted by Lincoln University staff and students, overseen by the Lincoln University Research Management Office. There are numerous academic and corporate connections and Barenbrug hosts a number of Lincoln University students through a summer internship programme most years. Lincoln University is fortunate to have a successful international yet locally based agri-company so close to campus.

1. Purpose

Barenbrug has established this scholarship in 2023 to provide financial assistance to students undertaking studies in land-based degrees and who have an interest in arable farming, horticulture science, plant science, soil science and farm management.

2. Number/Value

- a. One scholarship will be offered annually to a full-time student in their second year of study at Lincoln University with a value of \$5,000 towards tuition fees.
- b. In addition, Barenbrug MAY support a study project and/or an opportunity for a paid Summer Internship at Barenbrug at the end of their second year of study. An internship will be through a separate process and employment agreement.

3. Eligibility

- (a) Applicants who are planning on undertaking second- or third-year full-time study at Lincoln University, are eligible to apply.
- (b) Applicants must be New Zealand Citizens or Permanent Residents.
- (c) Applicants must be able to demonstrate a preference for a career in arable farming, horticulture science, plant science, soil science and farm management.

4. Selection Criteria

The criteria for selection will be:

- (a) Academic Merit
- (b) Communication and Interpersonal Skills
- (c) Potential to succeed

Candidates may be asked to attend an interview as part of the selection process.

5. Selection Committee

The scholarship shall be awarded based on the recommendation of a selection committee which may comprise:

- The Convenor of the Scholarships Committee, or nominee
- An academic with experience in a related sector
- A representative from Barenbrug

The selection committee may refrain from making an award if it finds no candidate of sufficient merit.

6. Tenure

- (a) The scholarship is tenable for one year.
- (b) The scholarship is tenable with any other scholarship, bursary or award unless the conditions of the other award preclude it.
- (c) An internship and/or support for a study project may also be made available to the selected candidate.
- (d) Successful scholars will be required to acknowledge the support of Barenbrug which may involve assisting with editorial content.

7. Application

Application forms are available from the Lincoln University scholarships website:
www.lincoln.ac.nz/scholarships

Applications close 31 October with the Scholarships Office at Lincoln University.

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APPLICATION FORM

Student Information

Student	
Family Name:	
First Name/s:	
Date of Birth:	
Postal address:	
Email address:	
Mobile number:	
Lincoln Student ID Number: (if known)	

Academic Information	
Academic Distinctions:	
Programme of Study at Lincoln University:	
Please outline your intentions on completion of your degree and how this scholarship would benefit you. (In 1,000 words or less)	Tick when attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Please attach a curriculum vitae.	Tick when attached <input type="checkbox"/>

Financial Information	
Please indicate your current means of financial support. Mark all boxes that apply.	Student Allowance <input type="checkbox"/> Student Loan <input type="checkbox"/> Parental support <input type="checkbox"/> Part-time employment <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please give details)
Please list any other scholarships you currently hold and any others you have applied for.	

References	
Please request two confidential letters of reference to support your application. Ask the referees to send their references directly to the Scholarships Office via email – scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz Please provide the name, title, address, phone number and email address for your two referees. referees:	
Referee 1:	Referee 2:

Declaration: I declare that the information contained in and provided in connection with this application is true and correct. I acknowledge that giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.	
Signature:	Date:

Please submit your application to the Lincoln University Scholarships Office no later than 31 October.

Candidates shall submit applications directly to the Scholarships Office via email
scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz

Phone: (03) 423-0000

Website: www.lincoln.ac.nz/scholarships

PRIVACY PROVISIONS

The information requested in this application form and your academic record will be used solely for the purposes of assessing your application for the Scholarship(s) for which you are applying. Personal information contained in this application will be made available to members of the Selection Committee for this award, the membership of which is detailed in the award regulations.

Lincoln University will store your application in a secure place if you are successful in gaining an award or are selected as a reserve candidate for an award, and to destroy your application to preserve its confidentiality in the event that you are unsuccessful in gaining an award.

Should you have reason to believe that information held about you in either your application or your academic record is incorrect, you have the right of access to, and correction of, that information.

Personal references from the persons you have named are obtained on the strict understanding that they are confidential, and you may not have access to those reports without the written authorisation of the author.

I, agree to the above conditions with respect to my scholarship application(s) to Lincoln University.

Signed:..... Date:.....

ADVICE TO APPLICANTS

Applications must arrive by the date shown on the application form. No undertaking is given to accept late applications.

It is your responsibility to contact your referees, and ask them to send their references to the Scholarships Office. References should be clearly marked with your name and the name of the scholarship(s) for which you are applying. Referees should **not** be asked to send their references to you, as they must have the opportunity to be completely frank. Non receipt of referees reports or incomplete applications may prejudice your eligibility.

If Official documents are requested as part of your scholarship application, please do not send original documents. Send only copies that have been certified by a J.P., a solicitor, or a staff member in the university registry. Lincoln University accepts no responsibility to return original documents.

If you have any queries regarding your eligibility or how to apply, please contact the Scholarships Office on 0800 10 60 10 or scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz