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Burnett Research Scholarship

Background

Donald (DMC) and his sister, Catriona (CMB) Burnett, were the last surviving family members of the well-known and highly respected Burnett family of Mt Cook Station.

Their forebearers purchased the Station in 1864 and through subsequent generations, their family have continued as innovative and visionary farmers. Donald built a hydroelectric plant on the Station in 1953 and remained a keen engineer his entire life.

He was also passionate about Merino wool and in 2000, won the World's Leading Merino Wool Grower Award, producing then, the world's finest bale of wool. This 100kg bale of 13.1 micron merino wool sold to an Italian textile company for \$120,000.

Donald and Catriona are also widely respected in the Mackenzie District for the philanthropy, leadership and public service.

Catriona married Richard St Barbe Baker OBE in 1959, a forester and environmental activist. Donald never married.

Together they established the DMC and CMB Burnett Charitable Trust in 1996, to provide funding for worthy causes in the community.

Donald died in 2010 and Catriona in 2014.

Regulations

1. Purpose

The Burnett Scholarship was established in 2020 to support a student undertaking research with a science focus that would benefit agricultural science in New Zealand. Applicants with research relevant and of benefit to the McKenzie District will be given preference.

2. Number/Value

One scholarship will be offered annually to a full-time postgraduate student studying for a relevant research degree at Lincoln University. The annual value of the scholarship is \$4,000 which may be dispensed towards tuition fees or as a fortnightly stipend.

3. Eligibility

- 3.1. Applicants who are enrolled and currently studying in, or who have gained entry to the Bachelor of Agricultural Science (Honours), Bachelor of Science (Honours), the thesis year of a Master's degree or Doctor of Philosophy at Lincoln University.
- 3.2. The candidate shall be undertaking or planning to undertake an area of research which is aligned with the purpose of the scholarship.
- 3.3. Applicants must be New Zealand Citizens or Permanent Residents.

4. Selection Criteria

- 4.1. Academic Merit.
- 4.2. Field of research and its relevance to this scholarship.

5. Selection Committee

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

- The Convenor of the Lincoln University Scholarships Committee, or nominee.
- A representative from the Lincoln University Agriculture and Life Sciences faculty, or nominee.
- A representative from the charitable trust, or nominee.

The selection committee may request the applicant to attend an interview as part of the selection process. Interviews are to be no more than 20 minutes long.

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

6. Tenure

- 6.1. The scholarship is tenable for one year from commencement date.
- 6.2. The scholarship shall begin at the commencement of the Semester immediately following the award or in the year of the award or on the scholar's registration into their programme of study at Lincoln University.
- 6.3. The scholarship is tenable with any other scholarship, award or bursary, providing the regulations of that scholarship allow co-tenure.

7. Deferral of study

No deferment is available for this scholarship.

8. Review of Progress

The recipient's unofficial academic transcript and/or six-monthly report will be made available to the charitable trust via the Scholarships Office.

9. Payments

The scholarship payment shall be made as a lump sum into the recipient's tuition fees account, or as a fortnightly stipend over the academic year.

10. Application

Applications close 31 March at 4pm. Please return your application form to the Scholarships Office. You can either email, post or deliver to the following:-

Email address: scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz

Phone: 03 423 0000

Postal Address: Scholarships Office
Lincoln University
PO Box 85084
Lincoln 7647
Canterbury

Physical Address: Scholarships Office
Student Administration
Ground Floor George Forbes Memorial Building
Lincoln University

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 in the event that 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. **Unless specifically requested, please do not send a curriculum vitae.** Lincoln University accepts no responsibility to return original documents.

Please do not put your application into any sort of folder. Simply attach all pages with ONE staple in the top left hand corner or scan and email the application. **All pages should be A4 size.**

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



BURNETT RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Student Information	
Family Name:	
First Name/s:	
Date of Birth:	
Postal address:	
Citizenship: <i>(please tick)</i>	NZ Citizen <input type="checkbox"/> NZ Permanent Resident <input type="checkbox"/> International <input type="checkbox"/>
Email address:	
Mobile number:	
Lincoln Student ID Number: <i>(if known)</i>	

Academic Information	
Highest Tertiary Qualification achieved:	
List all tertiary institutions you have previously studied at:	
Provide certified copies of academic transcripts for all tertiary qualifications from any institution other than Lincoln University:	Tick when attached <input type="checkbox"/>
List any Academic Distinctions:	
Course of Study at Lincoln:	
Please provide a statement (maximum one page) outlining your research proposal.	Tick when attached <input type="checkbox"/>

Financial Information	
Please list all Scholarships, Bursaries or Awards you have received during your course of study at Lincoln University.	

References	
Please ask your two referees to submit confidential academic letters of reference via email to the Scholarships Office. scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz	
Please provide the name, title, address, phone number and email address for your two 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 March.

Candidates shall submit applications directly to one of the following addresses:

Email: scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz

Scholarships Office
Lincoln University
PO Box 85084
Lincoln 7647
Canterbury

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