

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY

THE GORDON WILLIAMS POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP IN ECOLOGICAL SCIENCES

This scholarship was established in 1985 in memory of the late Professor Gordon Williams from a capital fund of \$25,000 gifted to Lincoln University by Mrs Pamela Williams and Miss Jenny Williams.

Regulations

1. The award shall be known as The Gordon Williams Postgraduate Scholarship in Ecological Sciences.
2. One or more scholarships will be available to Lincoln University students engaged in, or planning to be engaged in, research leading to the award of a masters or PhD degree or for post-doctoral work.
3. Applicants are required to be in the process of, or intending to conduct, research in the ecological sciences. Preference will be given to research related to conservation, ecology and/or wildlife management. The work is normally to be done in New Zealand but the selection committee may consider applications from persons wishing to do some or all of their research overseas.
4. The selection committee shall determine the number and value of the awards available each year taking into account the amount of funds available for disbursement according to the University's investment policy whereby one third of the annual interest earned is reinvested to maintain the real capital base and the remaining two thirds is available for disbursement.
5. The selection committee may also make provision to assist a student who complies with regulations 2 and 3 above to present a paper at a scientific conference. Such applications should be submitted in writing, supplying full information on the conference and proposed budget, including funding assistance obtained from other sources.
6. The scholarship shall have a tenure of one year. Current scholars may reapply for a second, but not a third, year.
7. The scholarships is to be awarded by the Vice-Chancellor on the recommendation of a selection committee which shall comprise:
 - i) the Vice-Chancellor or nominee
 - ii) Mrs P R Williams or her nominee for as long as she wishes and thereafter a person appointed by the Royal Society
 - iii) a person appointed by the Academic Board who has expert knowledge in the field of study covered by the award.
8. The criteria for the award shall be the academic worth of the project and the academic merit of the candidate (as it relates to the project). Financial hardship may also be considered.
9. In recognition of the achievement, and as a permanent record, each scholar is to be provided with a certificate.
10. Application forms are available from the Scholarships Office, Lincoln University with whom applications close on 1 October of each year.



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APPLICATION FORM

Student Information	
Family Name:	
First Name/s:	
Date of Birth:	
Postal address:	
Email address: <i>(Please note that we will acknowledge receipt of your application via your email address after the published closing date of the scholarship)</i>	
Mobile number:	
Lincoln Student ID Number: <i>(if known)</i>	
Nationality/Citizenship:	
Academic Information	
List all tertiary institutions you have previously studied at:	
Highest Tertiary Qualification achieved:	
Provide certified copies of academic transcripts for all tertiary qualifications not obtained from Lincoln University.	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>(tick when attached)</i>
Please provide a statement of your research interests on a separate sheet of paper (no more than one page).	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>(tick when attached)</i>
List any Academic Prizes or Distinctions previously held: <i>(excluding school awards)</i>	
Course of Study at Lincoln:	
Name the Faculty in which you plan to or are studying under:	
Financial Information	
Financial assistance being received or expected: <i>(Please list other scholarships, bursaries, awards, student allowances, etc)</i>	

Other Information	
Sporting, Cultural, Community Activities:	
Intentions on completion of course:	

References	
Please submit two confidential academic letters of reference with your application.	
Please provide the name, title, address, phone number and email address of your two referees:	
Referee 1:	Referee 2:
References may be submitted via email as attachments to scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz All emailed letters of reference must be received directly from the person providing the reference (not from the student applicant). Alternatively, references may be sent directly to the Scholarships Office (address below) or attached to the application in a sealed envelope.	

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 1st October.

Candidates shall submit applications directly to the following addresses:

Scholarships Office
Lincoln University
PO Box 85084
Lincoln 7647
Christchurch

Phone: (03) 423 0000
Email: scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz
Web: 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 undertakes to 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 requested please do not send original birth certificates or other 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.

Please do not put your application into any sort of folder. Simply attach all pages with ONE staple in the top left hand corner. **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.



REFEREES REPORT

Applicant's Name:

Student ID Number:

Scholarship Applied For: The Gordon Williams Postgraduate Scholarship in Ecological Sciences

This report is due by: (Date).....

Please provide a confidential reference (ACADEMIC) on or attached to this form, for the above named student. This reference will only be used by the Scholarships Selection Committee in determining the applicant's eligibility for the scholarship.

Please send this report to: The Scholarships Office email: scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz

Referee's Name: *(Pls Print)*.....

Organisation:.....

Signature:..... Date:.....