

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION

MANNING SEED AWARD

REGULATIONS

1. Purpose

The Manning Seed Award has been provided by Lincoln University Foundation through funding from Selwyn and Mary Manning, and is intended to encourage education and research in the field of seed science and seed technology for the benefit of New Zealand.

2. Number/Value

One or more scholarships may be available in any year, the value of which shall be determined annually by the board of the Lincoln University Foundation.

3. Eligibility

- (1) The scholarship shall be open to people who are eligible to undertake full time postgraduate research study at Lincoln University into any issue associated with seed science and seed technology in New Zealand.
- (2) A scholarship may be awarded to a person who is not eligible to register as a full time research student at Lincoln University provided he or she becomes eligible to so register by 1 March in the year following the awards, or by such other date as may be determined by the Selection Committee in a particular case.
- (3) If a candidate awarded a scholarship under 3(2) above does not become eligible to register for a research degree at Lincoln University by 1 March or by the date determined under the provisions of 3(2) above, then the award will lapse.

4. Selection Criteria

The criteria for selection shall be

- (1) Academic merit.
- (2) The importance of the proposed research to seed science for the benefit of New Zealand.

5. Selection Committee

The selection committee shall consist of:

- (1) Convenor of the Lincoln University Scholarships Committee or nominee.
- (2) A representative from the Lincoln University Faculty of Agriculture and Life Sciences.
- (3) The Director of the Lincoln University Seed Research Centre, or nominee
- (4) A representative of the Lincoln University Foundation Board, or nominee

The selection committee may refrain from making an award if, in their opinion, there is no applicant of sufficient merit.

6. Tenure

The tenure of the scholarship for a PhD candidate is subject to the following conditions.

- (1) A PhD scholarship shall be tenable for a maximum of three years from the commencement date of the tenure of the scholarship, unless the candidate is already registered for a PhD as stated in 6 (3) below. The current value of a PhD scholarship is \$25,000 per annum.
- (2) The tenure of the scholarship shall begin at the commencement of the Semester immediately following the award.
- (3) Where an applicant for a scholarship has been registered for the relevant degree of study prior to the commencement of the scholarship, the tenure of the scholarship shall be reduced by the period the applicant has already been registered for that degree.

The tenure of the scholarship for a Masters or Honours degree candidate shall be for a maximum of one calendar year and shall begin at the commencement of the semester immediately following the award. The current value is \$10,000pa

7. Programme of Research

During the tenure of the scholarship, a scholar shall be enrolled as a full-time student in the relevant research degree at Lincoln University.

8. Commencement

- (1) The tenure of the scholarship shall begin at the commencement of the Semester immediately following the award, or on the date of the scholar's registration for the degree at Lincoln University, whichever is the later.

- (2) When a scholar has been registered for their relevant degree prior to the award of the scholarship, the tenure of the scholarship shall begin at the commencement of the Semester immediately following the award, or on such other date as shall be determined by the University in a particular case.

9. Deferral/Temporary Suspension of Study

- (1) No deferment is available for this scholarship
- (2) Once the scholarship has commenced, the scholarship sponsor may grant temporary suspension of the scholarship, for up to one year having taken into account the scholar's circumstances and the progress of study.

10. Payments

- (1) The emolument shall be paid by fortnightly instalments in arrears, according to the tenure of the scholarship.
- (2) The first payment shall be made as soon as practicable after the student has registered for their relevant degree at Lincoln University.
- (3) At the request of the scholar, the amount of the emolument may be reduced to an amount specified by the scholar.
- (4) In addition to the emolument the scholarship covers an amount equivalent to the New Zealand students' tuition fee for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, Master's by Thesis, or Honours degree at Lincoln University provided that the sponsor's contribution towards fees will be reduced by an amount equal to the sum available for fees from any other scholarship received by the student up to the value of the relevant New Zealand students' tuition fee. This amount is payable annually by way of a credit in the scholar's fees account

11. Co-Tenure

- (1) Except as provided in 11(2) and 11(3) below a scholarship shall be tenable with any other scholarship, bursary or award unless the conditions of the other award preclude it.
- (2) A scholarship is not tenable with a Lincoln University Doctoral, Masters or Graduate Scholarship, or the Lincoln University William Machin Scholarship for Excellence.
- (3) When a scholar holds other awards while also holding a Manning Seed Award, then the value of the Manning Seed Award may be reduced in circumstances to be determined by the board of the Lincoln University Foundation.

Note: In the case, where the total value of the scholarship and the other awards exceed \$35,000, then the value of the emolument component of the Manning Seed Award Scholarship will be reduced by \$1 for every dollar by which the value of the awards exceeds \$35,000.

12. Positions of Emolument

- (1) A scholar is expected to devote his or her whole time to study for the relevant degree.
- (2) A scholar may hold a position of emolument while receiving a scholarship provided that he or she meets the University's requirements for registration as a full-time student for the relevant degree.

Note: In order to meet the university's requirements for registration as a full-time student, a scholar may work no more than ten hours per week during the year.

13. Reviews of Progress

- (1) The scholar must provide in November of each year a written report to the Foundation on their use of their Manning Seed Award including any results of any education or research undertaken. This report will be provided by the Foundation to Mr and Mrs Manning
- (2) If the University at any time is not satisfied that the scholar is diligently pursuing his or her studies; or is not complying with the conditions of the scholarship; or is not making satisfactory progress, then the Selection Committee may suspend or terminate any scholarship or require the forfeiture of any proportion of the scholarship emoluments

14. Applications

Candidates shall submit applications no later than **31 October** to the Lincoln University Scholarships Office.

These regulations shall take effect from January 2017.