



Professor Barry Dent Scholarship and International Exchange



Background

This prestigious international exchange programme was established in recognition of Professor Barry Dent and his unique career in Farm Management and Agribusiness. Professor Barry Dent's career has taken him and his family around the world. While in New Zealand, Barry Dent, was Professor of Farm Management and Rural Valuation at Lincoln College and became Director of the Agribusiness and Economics Research Unit (AERU). Professor Dent made a significant contribution to research and teaching at Lincoln, later returning to the UK. After a period at the University of Edinburgh, he became Principal of the Royal Agricultural College in Cirencester. Both Lincoln College and the Royal Agricultural College now hold university status. This scholarship and international exchange honours Barry's career which incorporated both Lincoln University and the Royal Agricultural University. It is hoped that future recipients of this scholarship will benefit from the experience of an international exchange.

The International Exchange provides an excellent opportunity for students to gain overseas experience as part of their degree studies. It is hoped they will form networks for their future jobs and career and help forge a stronger relationship between the two institutions. The international exchange will support students undertaking degrees relevant to agriculture and land use in both NZ and the UK.

Regulations

1. Purpose

The Professor Barry Dent Scholarship was established in 2023 to support a student from Lincoln University to study for a semester at the Royal Agricultural University in the UK.

The Scholar shall travel from Lincoln University to the Royal Agricultural University to experience learning, agricultural practices, and cultural experiences.

2. Number / Value

One scholarship will be offered annually to a full-time student studying at Lincoln University.

- a. The annual value of the scholarship is £3000.
- b. The scholarship provides a contribution towards:
 - International flights
 - Travel insurance
 - Modest stipend
- c. The student is to pay normal fees to their home university.
- d. Accommodation is mutually provided by each institution.
- e. Scholars may choose to extend their stay abroad outside of the Universities' semesters, but any additional travel, accommodation or subsistence costs during that time shall not be covered by the Gift.

3. Eligibility

- a. The award shall be open to any student who qualifies to participate in an overseas exchange programme and is registered as a full-time student in an agricultural degree at Lincoln University.
- b. The Exchange shall be open to students in any second or third year of study in Agriculture or related subject areas.
- c. Course work is mutually credited back into a student's degree between the two institutions.
- d. Normal student visa requirements apply.

4. Selection Criteria

The criteria for selection will be based on:

- a. Academic merit
- b. Relevance of an exchange to their current degree
- c. Financial need, where candidates are comparable in other respects
- d. The successful candidate agrees
 - To be a positive ambassador for Lincoln University and the Royal Agricultural University and in representing NZ and the UK overseas,

- To submit a brief report at the end of the exchange on learnings and experience, along with a profile and photo for marketing purposes.

5. Selection Committee

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

- a. Vice-Chancellor or nominee,
- b. Convenor of the Lincoln University Scholarships Committee or nominee,
- c. A representative from Lincoln University International Team or nominee,
- d. Faculty representative or nominee,

The committee may request the applicant attend an interview in person or by video call as part of the selection process.

The panel may refrain from making an award if it finds no candidate adequately meets the selection criteria.

6. Tenure

The period of tenure shall be a maximum of 6 months from the start of Semester 2.

The award shall be tenable with any other scholarship, award, or bursary.

7. Application

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

Completed applications should be emailed to the Scholarships Office by 31 May: scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz

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.

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



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**Professor Barry Dent Scholarship
And International Exchange to Royal Agricultural University, UK.**

APPLICATION FORM

Student Information	
Family Name:	
First Name/s:	
Date of Birth:	
Postal address:	
Email address:	
Mobile number:	
Lincoln Student ID Number:	

Academic Information	
Academic Distinctions:	
Course of Study at Lincoln:	
Please attach a letter of introduction outlining reasons why you want to participate on the exchange and relevance to your degree.	Tick when attached <input type="checkbox"/>

Financial Information	
Financial assistance being received or expected: <i>(Please list other scholarships, bursaries, awards, student allowances, etc)</i>	

References

Please request two confidential letters of reference to be emailed directly 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 May.

Candidates shall email applications directly to the Scholarships Office.

Email: scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz

www.lincoln.ac.nz/scholarships