



Rhondda Moffitt Endowed Memorial Scholarship in Agricultural Economics

Regulations

1. Background

This scholarship is named in honour of the late Rhondda Moffitt QSM. Rhondda was a 'stalwart' of Canterbury netball and was awarded the Queen's Service Medal for her many years of valuable service and volunteering to netball. She enjoyed a long association with the Christchurch St Nicholas Netball Club between 1951 and 2012, holding various office-bearing roles as well as coaching teams for nearly 50 years. A former vice-president of Canterbury Netball, she also headed Canterbury Netball Umpires. Rhondda also enjoyed a long association with Redcliff's Tennis Club and the Christchurch City Mission.

Rhondda is described by her husband and companion of 45 years, as someone with a ready smile, laughter, sincere enthusiasm, and daily happiness. She had a cheerful disposition and displayed ongoing kindness to everyone she met.

It is hoped that recipients of the Rhondda Moffitt scholarship will benefit from philanthropic support enabling them to concentrate on their studies and do well in their careers.



2. Purpose

The Rhondda Moffitt Memorial Scholarship was established in 2022 to support a postgraduate student undertaking research. The research is encouraged, but not limited to the area of Agricultural Economics and policy. This scholarship may also be available to students studying consumer markets in agriculture, horticulture, food and fibre, and related industries.

3. Number/Value

One or more scholarships 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 shall be \$20,000.

4. Eligibility

4.1 Applicants who are enrolled and currently studying in, or have gained entry to, a relevant full-time postgraduate qualification at Lincoln University.

4.2 Applicants must be New Zealand Citizens or Permanent Residents

5. Selection Criteria

The criteria for selection will be

5.1 Academic Merit

5.2 Field of Research and its relevance to this scholarship

5.3 Demonstrated commitment and interest in a career in agriculture, horticulture, food and fibre and related industries

6. Selection Committee

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

- The Convenor of the Lincoln University Scholarships Committee, or nominee
- A representative from the Faculty of Agribusiness and Commerce

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.

7. Tenure

7.1 The scholarship is tenable for a maximum of one year from commencement date.

7.2 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.

7.3 The scholarship is tenable with any other scholarship, award or bursary providing the regulations of that scholarship allow co-tenure.

8. Deferral of study

No deferment is available for this scholarship.

9. Review of Progress

9.1 Each student will be supervised by (a) a principal supervisor (b) an associate supervisor who steps into the principal supervision role if the original principal is absent.

9.2 The successful applicant should be prepared to meet with, and report on progress with their nominated supervisors, as well as meet with other staff at the request of the faculty,

9.3 Meetings with the primary funder are to be conducted in the presence of either (a) or (b) in 9.1.

10. Payments

The scholarship value can be paid as a fortnightly stipend or be put towards tuition fees and the balance as a stipend.

11. Application

Applications close 31 October at 4pm. Please email your application form to the Scholarships Office.

Email address: scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz

Phone: 03 423 0000

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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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:	

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) of your research proposal.	Tick when attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Please provide a statement reflecting your commitment and interest in a career in agriculture, horticulture, food and fibre and related industries (maximum one page).	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 submit two confidential academic letters of reference with your application. Ask the referees to email their references 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 October.

Candidates shall email applications directly to the Scholarships Office:

Email: scholarships@lincoln.ac.nz

Web: www.lincoln.ac.nz/scholarships