

HIRS Research Scholarship Recipient Terms and Conditions

This document sets out the terms and conditions which apply to the Heron Island Research Station (HIRS) Research Scholarship.

Applicants acknowledge that:

- The Research Scholarship is not to be used in conjunction with any other offer currently in place with the Research Station.
- Applications are awarded on merit by panel review. Consequently meeting the eligibility requirements and guidelines does not guarantee success in this process.
- All decisions are subject to approval by the Research Facilities Manager.
- HIRS is not obligated to, and in most instances, will not provide feedback on unsuccessful applications.
- HIRS reserves the right to forward the application to other people for review and comment.
- HIRS reserves the right to re-advertise for applications at any time.

Obligations of scholarship recipients:

Successful applicants must:

- Sign, scan and return this Terms and Conditions document via email. Scholarships are not finalised and recipients will be charged for their station usage if this document is not signed and returned.
- Utilise the scholarship within 12 months of its offer. The scholarship period begins on notification of success.
- The scholarship is non-transferable and must be used for the student and project agreed upon in the successful application. Notification in writing to the Research Facilities Manager is required if there are any changes to the student's study plan or intention to use the scholarship.
- Be an Honours or RHD student at The University of Queensland when applying for and using the scholarship.
- Present their work at one of the HIRS free public research seminars before the completion of the scholarship period.
- Provide HIRS with a short (<200 word), plain language written synopsis of their work, along with three high quality photographs, upon completion of the scholarship period for use in UQ promotional materials.
- Provide a Final Report on the form provided to the Research Station within 3 months of completion of the scholarship period.
- Acknowledge HIRS and the Scholarship in any publications, theses, media coverage or reports that may arise from this work.
- Supply to HIRS electronic copies of any publications, theses or reports that may arise from this work.
- Agree to abide by the particular policies and procedures specific to HIRS.

Successful applicants can spend the \$2000 scholarship within 12 months of the date of notification of the scholarship award on:

1. Accommodation charges for the applicant while engaged in research described in the original scholarship application and award.
2. Snorkel and dive equipment hire charges (including tanks and air fills) and Station boats charges (fuel/skippering not included).
3. Access to a laboratory, including aquaria and general-use laboratory equipment and consumables (excessive use of consumables may incur a charge).

Scholarship funds cannot be spent on:

1. Transportation to and from the Station (including flights, catamaran use and barge fees for transportation of equipment and food).

2. Catering costs (successful applicants must buy and prepare their own food or pay for catering).
3. Fuel for use of Station boats or skippering services.
4. Equipment purchases. Excessive use of consumables may also incur a charge.
5. Boating and diving consumables.
6. Other Station services (applicants will be charged current rates for all other services).
7. Overtime charges for staff assistance, if applicable.

Acceptance of Terms and Conditions

Successful applicants must accept the above terms and conditions to receive the HIRS Research Scholarship. To acknowledge acceptance of these terms and conditions, please sign and date this document below.

Name of scholarship recipient: _____

School/Centre/Institute of scholarship recipient: _____

Signature of scholarship recipient: _____

Date of acceptance: / /