

The Centenary History Project of New Zealand and the First World War Postgraduate Research Scholarships

Scholarship Regulations

Focus

New Zealand heritage and military history.

Level of Study

Postgraduate research.

Purpose

The scholarships aim to promote the study of New Zealand history, with particular reference to the history of New Zealand's involvement in and experiences of the First World War.

Background

The Centenary History Project (CHP) of New Zealand and the First World War is a partnership between Massey University, the New Zealand Defence Force and the Ministry for Culture and Heritage. It aims to produce definitive histories of New Zealand experiences during one of the deadliest conflicts in world history. Massey University hosts the CHP and is responsible, through the Centenary History Project Governance Group (CHPGG), for administering the associated funding. A guiding principle of the CHP is that royalties earned from the published volumes, in addition to funds raised that were surplus to publishing the volumes, should be used to promote further historical research into New Zealand and the First World War. The CHPGG determined that this would be done through the provision of scholarships designed to support postgraduate research and study undertaken by students at any New Zealand university.

Value and Tenure

There will be up to three tuition fee scholarships awarded annually. The full (domestic) tuition fees will be paid for up to 120 credits of research.

Eligibility

Applicants must be:

- New Zealand citizens or holders of a New Zealand permanent residence visa.
- intending to enrol either full-time or part-time in either a masters or doctoral degree where the candidate proposes to undertake research on a topic related to New Zealand's involvement in and experiences of the First World War.

Selection Criteria

The selection criteria includes:

- academic merit.
- curriculum vitae.
- the relevance of the research project.
- two-page draft research proposal.
- a personal statement on the applicant's study and career aspirations and why obtaining this scholarship will help their goals.

Selection Committee

The scholarship will be awarded on the recommendation of the Centenary History Project of New Zealand and the First World War Postgraduate Research Scholarship Selection Committee.

The Committee shall consist of a minimum of three (3) members of the Centenary History Project Governance Group, including:

- The Massey University Project Manager of the Centenary History Project (who shall not chair);
- One of the co-chairs of the Governance Group (or their representative); and
- Another non-Massey University member of the Governance Group.

Other members of the Centenary History Project Governance Group may be co-opted

Conditions of the Scholarship

Successful applicants can reapply for a second year of funding.

The decision of the Selection Committee shall be final.

The Selection Committee reserves the right to refrain from awarding a scholarship in the event that no suitable candidates of sufficient merit have applied.