

Ravensdown Agricultural Research Scholarship

Scholarship Regulations

Focus

Agriculture and Horticulture

Level of Study

Masterate and Doctoral

Purpose

The Ravensdown Agricultural Research Scholarship is intended for the support of students enrolled in a doctoral degree or the research year of a masterate programme within agriculture or horticulture.

Background

This scholarship was established in 2011 with funds accumulated from rebates on Ravensdown fertilisers bought by Massey University's farms. The scholarship is funded from interest on this initial capital sum and is supplemented each year by a grant from Ravensdown Ltd.

Value and Tenure

The scholarship is offered to a maximum value of \$5000 and is normally offered annually. At the discretion of the University all, or part, of the annual interest may be reinvested to maintain the value of the capital fund so the scholarship may not be granted each and every year.

The tenure is for a single academic year, but doctoral students are welcome to reapply in later years.

Typical Number on Offer

One scholarship is typically offered each year.

Eligibility

Applicants must be enrolled in a doctoral degree or the research year of a Masterate programme within agriculture or horticulture, with preference given to those applicants undertaking research in soil nutrient management.

Selection Criteria

The selection is based on:

- academic merit
- the benefit to the applicant and their study in receiving this scholarship, and how well the applicant meets the conditions and intentions of the scholarship
- other scholarships and bursaries held by the applicants

Selection Panel

The selection panel consists of a representative of Ravensdown Ltd, a representative of the Fertiliser & Lime Research Centre and Chair of the Applied Academic Programmes Scholarships Committee.

The selection panel has the right to refrain from making an award if there are no suitable applicants and its decision is final.

Conditions of the Scholarship

Recipients are expected to acknowledge the support received from the scholarship within their thesis and any publications resulting from the research being supported by the award